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1 **[There is no reportable action as a result of either**
2 **Board of Supervisors' closed sessions held today.]**

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD MORNING. WE WILL CALL THE
7 MEETING TO ORDER. I ASK EVERYONE IN THE ROOM TO COME TO ORDER,
8 THANK YOU. THANK YOU. WE HAVE A QUORUM, ALTHOUGH ONE OR TWO OF
9 THEM MAY BE RIGHT OUTSIDE THE BACK DOOR. I'M GOING TO ASK
10 EVERY MEMBER OF THE AUDIENCE TO RISE FOR THE INVOCATION AND
11 THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. THE INVOCATION'S GOING TO BE LED BY
12 OUR COLLEAGUE, SUPERVISOR DON KNABE AND THE PLEDGE OF
13 ALLEGIANCE WILL BE LED BY PETER ROMAN, MILITARY, REPRESENTING
14 THE MILITARY AND VETERANS AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT. SUPERVISOR
15 KNABE?

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17 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,
18 PLEASE JOIN ME IN AN ATTITUDE OF PRAYER. OUR MOST KIND AND
19 GRACIOUS HEAVENLY FATHER WE COME BEFORE YOU THIS MORNING TO
20 GIVE YOU THANKS, TO THANK YOU FOR YESTERDAY, TO THANK YOU FOR
21 TODAY, AND TO THANK YOU FOR TOMORROW. AND WE JUST PRAY FOR
22 YOUR CONTINUED GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION IN THE LIVES OF THE
23 CITIZENS OF THIS GREAT COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, THE LARGEST
24 COUNTY IN AMERICA. WE ASK YOUR GUIDANCE WITH US AS MEMBERS OF
25 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AS WE DEAL WITH THE ISSUES THAT ARE



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1 CONFRONTING NOT ONLY US AS A BOARD BUT THE PEOPLE WE SERVE AND
2 THE CONSTITUENTS WE SERVE. THROUGH HARDSHIP, THROUGH THE GOOD
3 TIMES, THROUGH THE BAD TIMES, MAY WE MAKE DECISIONS THAT
4 BENEFIT ALL. AND AS WE WORK HARD TO DO THAT, WE KNOW THAT WE
5 NEED YOUR GUIDANCE AND YOUR BLESSING. AND SO WE ASK, LORD,
6 THAT YOU WATCH OVER US, YOU WATCH OVER THE COUNTY, THE STATE,
7 THE NATION. WE THANK YOU FOR ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR ALL OF
8 US AND ASK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION AND
9 ALL GOD'S PEOPLE SAID "AMEN".

10

11 **PETER ROMAN:** PLEASE JOIN ME IN THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. FACE
12 THE FLAG. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE, AND
15 THANK YOU, PETER ROMAN, FOR LEADING US IN THE PLEDGE. THE
16 BOARD SECRETARY WILL CALL THE AGENDA.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIRMAN, MEMBERS OF THE
19 BOARD, WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE FOUR, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF
20 THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D, 2-D AND ITEM
21 3-D, WHICH WAS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, THOSE ITEMS
22 ARE BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY
25 RIDLEY-THOMAS, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ACTUALLY,



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1 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS IS OUT OF THE ROOM. SECONDED BY
2 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE FIVE, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
5 HOUSING AUTHORITY. ITEM NUMBER 1-H. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY MOLINA. SECONDED BY
8 ANTONOVICH. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** PAGE SIX AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
11 REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT ITEM 1-P THROUGH 5-P.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH, SECONDED BY
14 MOLINA, WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE EIGHT BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1
17 THROUGH 14, ON ITEM NUMBER 1 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
18 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 2, SUPERVISOR
19 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH ABSTAIN FROM THE VOTE.
20 ON ITEM NUMBER 3, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
21 HELD. AND ON ITEM NUMBER 10, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER
22 OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE
23 BEFORE YOU.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED
2 BY KNABE; WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE EXCEPT FOR THE TWO
3 ABSTENTIONS.

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS ABSTAINED ON ITEM
6 NUMBER 2.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. LET'S DO THAT AGAIN.
9 SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES. SUPERVISOR MOLINA SECONDS. ON ALL THE
10 ITEMS UNANIMOUS VOTE EXCEPT FOR ITEM 2 WHERE SUPERVISOR
11 RIDLEY-THOMAS AND ANTONOVICH ABSTAIN.

12

13 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** GREAT, THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

16

17 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON PAGE 15, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS NUMBER
18 15 THROUGH 68. ON ITEM NUMBER 16, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
19 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 17,
20 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
21 ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 20, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF
22 THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 21, SUPERVISOR
23 KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22,
24 2012. ON ITEM NUMBER 22, 23 AND 24, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
25 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THESE ITEMS. ON ITEM NUMBER 25,



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1 THERE'S ALSO A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS
2 ITEM. BUT ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR MOLINA ALSO VOTES NO. ON
3 ITEM NUMBER 26, AGAIN THERE'S -- 25. ON ITEM NUMBER 26,
4 THERE'S REQUESTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM
5 AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, SUPERVISOR MOLINA IS VOTING NO. ON ITEM
6 NUMBER 28, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
7 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22, 2012. ON ITEM NUMBER 33, THE
8 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
9 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22, 2012. ON ITEM NUMBER 34, THERE'S
10 A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON
11 ITEM NUMBER 40, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
12 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22, 2012.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SORRY. WHICH ITEM IS THAT?

15

16 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NUMBER 40 AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A
17 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NUMBER
18 44, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
19 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22, 2012. AND ALSO ON THIS ITEM,
20 THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON
21 ITEM NUMBER 51, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
22 TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 54, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM
23 MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD THIS ITEM. ON ITEM NUMBER 62,
24 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK
25 TO MAY 22, 2012. ON ITEM NUMBER 63, SUPERVISOR MOLINA REQUESTS



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1 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD AND DISCUSSED WITH ITEM NUMBER S-1. AND
2 ON THIS ITEM, 63, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE
3 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. AND THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT
4 CALENDAR ARE BEFORE YOU.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IT'S MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED
7 BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WITH THE EXCEPTION OF ITEM NUMBER 25 AND
10 26, WHICH SHE VOTED NO ON?

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WANTED TO BE
13 HEARD ON THAT, I THOUGHT.

14

15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON 25 AND 26, YES, EXCUSE ME, YOU'RE
16 CORRECT.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THEY WERE NOT VOTED ON JUST
19 NOW.

20

21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YOU ARE CORRECT. ON PAGE 40, ORDINANCES FOR
22 INTRODUCTION, ITEMS 69 AND 70. ON ITEM NUMBER 69, I'LL READ
23 THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE RECORD. THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
24 INTRODUCTION AMENDING THE COUNTY CODE, TITLE 6, SALARIES,
25 CHANGING THE TITLE AND SALARY, ADDING, DELETING AND/OR



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1 CHANGING CERTAIN CLASSIFICATIONS AND NUMBERS OF ORDINANCE
2 POSITIONS. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A REQUEST FROM MEMBERS OF THE
3 PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NUMBER 70, SUPERVISOR KNABE
4 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 22, 2012.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
7 ORDERED.

8

9 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON AND ON SEPARATE MATTERS, ITEM 71 THROUGH
10 73, ITEM NUMBER 71 I'LL READ THE SHORT TITLE IN FOR THE
11 RECORD. THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S
12 RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE
13 AND SALE OF THE 2012-2013 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES
14 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE BILLION ONE
15 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS TO MEET THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-2013 CASH
16 FLOW NEEDS OF THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND. ON THIS ITEM, THERE'S A
17 REQUEST FROM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC TO HOLD IT. ON ITEM NUMBER
18 72, THIS IS THE TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION
19 TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE
20 PASADENA UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS 2008
21 ELECTION SERIES 2012 AND THE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED
22 125 MILLION DOLLARS. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. SECONDED
25 BY KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** ON ITEM NUMBER 73, THIS IS THE TREASURER
3 AND TAX COLLECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION
4 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE LOS ANGELES UNIFIED
5 SCHOOL DISTRICT 2012-2013 TAX AND REVENUE ANTICIPATION NOTES
6 IN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED ONE BILLION FIVE
7 HUNDRED MILLION DOLLARS. THAT ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY MOLINA SECONDED BY
10 ANTONOVICH WITHOUT OBJECTION UNANIMOUS VOTE.

11

12 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** DISCUSSION ITEM, ITEM NUMBER 74 WE WILL
13 HOLD FOR A DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 42, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS TO
14 THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF
15 THE MEETING AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM
16 NUMBER 75-A, SUPERVISOR MOLINA AND SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUEST
17 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. 75-B IS BEFORE YOU.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
20 MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

21

22 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 75-C.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY ANTONOVICH. SECONDED BY
25 KNABE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.



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2 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE
3 AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH
4 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NUMBER 1.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR MOLINA, DO YOU
7 HAVE ANY PRESENTATIONS? NO? PARDON? RIGHT. OKAY. SUPERVISOR
8 RIDLEY-THOMAS, ANY PRESENTATIONS?

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. THANK YOU. I HAVE A
11 PRESENTATION THIS MORNING TO RECOGNIZE THE THAI NEW YEAR'S
12 FESTIVAL FOR 2012 AND IF THE DELEGATION WILL JOIN ME HERE. I'M
13 PLEASED TO INTRODUCE MS. _____ CHAIRWOMAN OF
14 THE THAI NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL AND TO ASK MEMBERS OF HER BOARD
15 TO JOIN ME AS THEY ARE BEHIND ME. WE ALL KNOW HOLLYWOOD IS
16 WORLD FAMOUS FOR ITS FILM INDUSTRY, BUT A LOT OF PEOPLE DON'T
17 KNOW THAT FOR THE LAST NINE YEARS, IT HAS ALSO BEEN THE SCENE
18 OF A THAI NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL THAT THIS YEAR ATTRACKED MORE
19 THAN 350,000 PEOPLE. LAST MONTH IN HOLLYWOOD'S THAI TOWN, THE
20 THAI NEW YEAR SONGKRAN FESTIVAL WHICH EXTENDED THROUGH WESTERN
21 AVENUE TO NORMANDY, FEATURED THAI CULTURE, FOOD, MUSIC, AND
22 SPORTS EXHIBITS. TODAY I'M HAPPY TO WELCOME THE MEMBERS OF THE
23 BOARD OF THE FESTIVAL AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR DEDICATION AND
24 HARD WORK. MADAM CHAIRWOMAN, PLEASE ACCEPT THIS SCROLL AS A
25 SYMBOL OF OUR APPRECIATION ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF



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1 SUPERVISORS AND THE MORE THAN 10 MILLION RESIDENTS OF THE
2 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. I HAVE TO SAY I ATTENDED AND I HAVE
3 ATTENDED THE THAI NEW YEAR'S FESTIVALS FOR EACH OF THE LAST
4 YEARS, I'VE STOPPED COUNTING. AND IT HAS GROWN EVERY YEAR IT
5 HAS BECOME MORE AND MORE SPECTACULAR. AND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE
6 WHO COME TO THE FESTIVAL REFLECT THAT IT'S NOT ONLY A THAI
7 FESTIVAL BUT IT'S A LOS ANGELES COUNTY FESTIVAL BECAUSE ON
8 THAT DAY, WE'RE ALL THAIS. AND IT'S BECOME ONE OF THE MOST
9 SIGNIFICANT AND IMPORTANT FESTIVALS AND LARGEST ATTENDED
10 FESTIVALS IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SO I WANT TO
11 CONGRATULATE YOU, THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO YEAR ROUND AND
12 ESPECIALLY FOR THE FESTIVAL. AND WE WISH YOU A BELATED HAPPY
13 NEW YEAR. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SPEAKER:** ON BEHALF OF THAI NEW YEAR SONGKRAN FESTIVAL, WE
16 WOULD LIKE TO SAY THANK YOU TO RECOGNIZE HOW HARD WE WORK FOR
17 LOS ANGELES, FOR THAI TOWN AND FOR THAI COMMUNITY. AND THANK
18 YOU FOR YOU TO SUPPORT THAI COMMUNITY. WE'LL SEE YOU AGAIN
19 NEXT YEAR. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEY PRESENTED ME WITH WHAT IS
22 CALLED A MONEY TREE. SO I THINK I'LL GIVE THIS TO THE COUNTY
23 TREASURER. [LAUGHTER.] MAKE SOME GOOD USE OUT OF IT. NEXT IT'S
24 MY PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE FOR A PRESENTATION A DELEGATION OF
25 NURSES, COUNTY NURSES WHO ARE HERE. [APPLAUSE.] OKAY. ARE THEY



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1 COMING UP? THEY'RE HERE. OKAY. THERE ARE A TOTAL OF 13 AWARD
2 WINNERS FOR THE AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING NURSES IN THE COUNTY
3 FAMILY. THEY COME FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, THE
4 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 MENTAL HEALTH AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. EACH OF THE
7 SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS HAVE ONE OR MORE WINNERS WHO WE WILL
8 BE RECOGNIZING. LAST WEEK, THE COUNTY CELEBRATED NURSE
9 RECOGNITION WEEK. UNFORTUNATELY, THE BOARD DID NOT MEET LAST
10 WEEK BECAUSE OF OUR DELEGATION, OUR TRIP TO MEET WITH OUR
11 CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION IN WASHINGTON, D.C., SO WE WERE NOT
12 ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THIS YEAR'S OUTSTANDING NURSES AT THAT TIME,
13 BUT WE'D LIKE TO DO SO TODAY. SO I NOW ASK MY COLLEAGUES TO
14 JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING SEVERAL OF THE INCREDIBLE NURSING STAFF
15 MEMBERS IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH SERVICES, PUBLIC HEALTH,
16 MENTAL HEALTH, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, SHERIFF AND FIRE
17 DEPARTMENTS. FIRST I'D LIKE TO CALL ON SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR
18 HER PRESENTATION.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL I'M VERY EXCITED. I HAVE TWO VERY
21 OUTSTANDING NURSES THAT I WANT TO RECOGNIZE. THEY'VE DONE A
22 TREMENDOUS JOB. LET ME SHARE A LITTLE BIT ABOUT DORA PATRICIA
23 CLEE. AFTER EARNING HER NURSING DEGREE FROM GLENDALE COMMUNITY
24 COLLEGE PATRICIA CLEE JOINED THE COUNTY FAMILY AS A REGISTERED
25 NURSE FOR OUR CENTRAL HEALTH CENTER. SHE IS A VERY DEVOTED



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1 PROFESSIONAL WHO NEVER FAILS TO GO THE EXTRA MILE FOR THOSE IN
2 NEED SUCH AS TENACIOUSLY ENSURING EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR
3 HOMELESS PATIENTS AND PROVIDING COMFORT AND PATIENCE DURING
4 VERY DIFFICULT SCREENINGS. HER PHILOSOPHY IS TRULY ADMIRABLE.
5 LET ME SHARE WHAT SHE HAS SAID. "THE PATIENT IN FRONT OF ME
6 COULD BE MY MOTHER, MY FATHER, SON, NIECE OR BROTHER. THEY
7 BECOME LIKE FAMILY TO ME, AND I WANT FOR THEM TO HAVE THE BEST
8 CARE." THAT'S A VERY ADMIRABLE PHILOSOPHY TO HAVE. SHE'S
9 PRESENTLY PURSUING HER MASTER'S DEGREE. SHE WANTS TO CONTINUE
10 TO PROVIDE WELL-BEING TO THE ENTIRE COMMUNITY. SO IT'S INDEED
11 MY HONOR TO RECOGNIZE HER AS ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING NURSES
12 WITHIN THE FIRST DISTRICT. CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, DORA
13 PATRICIA.

14

15 **DORA PATRICIA:** I'M SO HONORED AND I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M HERE
16 TAKING THIS AWARD WITH ME JUST FOR DOING MY JOB, JUST FOR
17 DOING SOMETHING THAT I REALLY TRULY LOVE TO DO. THANK YOU TO
18 EVERYBODY. MY SUPERVISORS, MANAGERS, THANK YOU SO MUCH.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. OUR NEXT RECIPIENT IS ELEANOR DACIO.
21 IN 1993 ELEANOR BEGAN HER COUNTY CAREER AS A STAFF NURSE IN
22 THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AND IN 1998, SHE PROMOTED TO THE
23 MEDICAL SERVICES BUREAU CORRECTIONAL TREATMENT CENTER. SHE HAS
24 EXHIBITED REMARKABLE NURSING SKILLS AT THE CENTER AND HAS
25 SERVED AS AN EXCELLENT MENTOR AS WELL AS ROLE MODEL. ELEANOR



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1 IS ALSO A TIRELESS COMMUNITY ADVOCATE. SHE AND HER FAMILY
2 VOLUNTEER FOR THE TRANSITIONAL HOUSING PROGRAM, WHICH ASSISTS
3 PEOPLE IN NEED WITH EMERGENCY SERVICES AS WELL AS TEMPORARY
4 HOUSING. HER COMPASSION AND SPIRIT IN GIVING THESE VARIOUS
5 HOMELESS LIVES SERVICE IS PART OF WHAT SHE DOES IN HER
6 COMMUNITY. SO WE'RE VERY HONORED. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE
7 ELEANOR FOR BEING ONE OF THE OUTSTANDING NURSES WITHIN THE
8 FIRST DISTRICT. CONGRATULATIONS, ELEANOR. VERY DESERVING.
9 [APPLAUSE.] WHY DON'T YOU SHARE?

10

11 **ELEANOR DACIO:** OKAY. THE MEDICAL SERVICES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
12 HAS BEEN A PART OF MY LIFE FOR 18 YEARS SERVING THE MOST
13 UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS IN THE NATION. IT IS ALL ABOUT THE
14 CARING AND ADVOCATING PATIENTS, GIVING THEM CARE AND OF COURSE
15 I WOULD LIKE TO ALSO THANK MY SUPERIORS, MY CLINICAL CAPTAIN
16 KIRK _____, CLINICAL NURSING DIRECTOR _____ MY NURSE
17 MANAGER AND MY CLINICAL NURSING DIRECTOR MISS _____.
18 THEY'RE SO GREAT AND VERY ENERGETIC. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
19 [APPLAUSE.]

20

21 **SUP. MOLINA:** I JUST WANT TO JOIN WITH MY COLLEAGUES IN
22 THANKING THE NURSES OF L.A. COUNTY THAT WORK IN ALL THE
23 VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. THEY PROVIDE UNBELIEVABLE ASSISTANCE AND
24 CARING AND OF COURSE UNBELIEVABLE PROFESSIONALISM TO ALL OF
25 THE PATIENTS THEY SERVE. SO WE WANT TO CONGRATULATE EVERY



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1 SINGLE ONE OF THEM. BUT CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU, ELEANOR. SO
2 LET'S TAKE ONE MORE PICTURE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY KINDLY, MR. CHAIRMAN. I'M
7 PLEASED TO JOIN IN THE RECOGNITION OF THESE STELLAR COUNTY
8 EMPLOYEES WHO PROVIDE SUCH IMPORTANT SERVICES. I BEGIN WITH
9 ROBERT SCOTT TELLFORT KNOWN TO MOST AS SCOTT WHO BEGAN HIS
10 CAREER AT THE COUNTY IN 1988 AS A STAFF NURSE AT THE INPATIENT
11 PSYCHIATRIC SERVICES AT THE HARBOR U.C.L.A. MEDICAL CENTER. IN
12 2002, SCOTT TRANSFERRED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO
13 ENHANCE HIS PSYCHIATRIC EXPERIENCE. FOR TWO YEARS, SCOTT WAS
14 PROMOTED TO THE ROLE OF SENIOR MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR R.N.
15 AND FOR 19 YEARS, WHILE WORKING AT BOTH D.H.S. AND D.M.H.,
16 SCOTT WAS A LICENSED INSTRUCTOR FOR CRISIS PREVENTION
17 INTERVENTION. CURRENTLY SCOTT WORKS AS A SUPERVISOR AT THE
18 SOUTH BAY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER AND ALSO VISITS AS A SENIOR
19 MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELOR AT THE TWIN TOWERS CORRECTIONAL
20 FACILITY. AND WE THINK HIGHLY OF THE WORK THAT HE HAS DONE.
21 AND A FEW OF HIS RESPONSIBILITIES INCLUDE SUPERVISING THE
22 FIELD CAPABLE CLINICAL SERVICES AND MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM,
23 IMPLEMENTING THE QUALITY ASSURANCE PROGRAM AND MANAGING
24 CONSUMERS WITH CO-OCCURRING DISORDERS. WHILE WILLING TO FACE
25 NEW CHALLENGES, SCOTT HAS TAKEN ON RESPONSIBILITIES OF ACTING



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1 PROGRAM HEAD ON TWO OCCASIONS AT SOUTH BAY. SCOTT HAS A
2 BACHELOR'S IN FINE ARTS DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA
3 AND ASSOCIATE'S DEGREE IN NURSING FROM EL CAMINO COLLEGE.
4 PLEASE JOIN ME IN HONORING SCOTT FOR BEING THE DEPARTMENT OF
5 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES 2012 NURSE OF THE YEAR. SCOTT TELLFORT.
6 [APPLAUSE.] DON, YOU'RE FALLING APART OVER HERE, HMM. WOULD
7 YOU JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING MARQUITA HARRIS. [APPLAUSE] WELL MY
8 GOODNESS, SINCE YOU FEEL THAT WAY ABOUT IT, WHY DON'T YOU JOIN
9 ME IN ACKNOWLEDGING MARQUITA HARRIS. [APPLAUSE] SOMEBODY SAID
10 D.C.F.S. IS IN THE HOUSE. [APPLAUSE] SHE BEGAN HER CAREER, HER
11 TENURE WITH THE COUNTY AT WHAT HARBOR U.C.L.A. IN 2002 WHERE
12 SHE WAS HONORED AS EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH. SHE HAS WORKED AT
13 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SINCE 2010
14 WHERE SHE HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR HER ADVOCACY, HER
15 PERSISTENCE AND HER INTERVENTIONS ON BEHALF OF MEDICALLY
16 FRAGILE CHILDREN. HER EXPERIENCE WORKING WITH MENTALLY ILL,
17 WITH THE MENTALLY ILL HAS BEEN AN ASSET TO HER, D.C.F.S.
18 COWORKERS. AND I SHOULD SAY SHE HAS PROVIDED AN OUTSTANDING
19 TRAINING TO HER PEERS ON, QUOTE, "TIPS FOR HANDLING DIFFICULT
20 PEOPLE." I WANT TO TAKE THAT COURSE WITH YOU SOMETIME.
21 [LAUGHTER.] SOCIAL WORK COLLEAGUES HAVE ALSO BENEFITED FROM
22 OBSERVING HER CALM COMPOSURE WHEN INTERACTING WITH PARENTS IN
23 CRISIS. MARQUITA IS ALSO THE HOME HEALTH MEDICAL EQUIPMENT
24 GURU AND THE TO-GO PERSON WHEN THERE ARE CASES THAT INVOLVE
25 EQUIPMENT CONCERNS. AND SO SHE HAS HER B.S.N. AND WANTS TO



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1 PURSUE A MASTER'S DEGREE IN NURSING OR BUSINESS
2 ADMINISTRATION. WHY DON'T YOU JOIN ME IN HONORING HER WITH
3 THIS 2012 NURSE OF THE YEAR RECOGNITION FOR HER OUTSTANDING
4 WORK IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES?
5 [APPLAUSE.] MARQUITA HARRIS. MS. HARRIS HAS A FAN CLUB OUT
6 THERE. FINALLY, PLEASE JOIN ME IN RECOGNIZING DONETTE LOZANO.
7 MS. LOZANO HAS WORKED AT LABOR AND DELIVERY AT HARBOR SINCE
8 2005. SHE IS A TEAM PLAYER AS WELL AS A TEAM LEADER AND HAS
9 TAKEN INITIATIVES TO DEVELOP HER SKILLS, THAT'S RIGHT, GIVE
10 HER ANOTHER ROUND OF APPLAUSE, IF YOU WILL. [APPLAUSE.]
11 SOMEBODY SAID "IF YOU WANT TO LEARN HOW TO LEAD, YOU HAVE TO
12 LEARN HOW TO PLAY." AND SO SHE HAS TAKEN INITIATIVES TO
13 DEVELOP HER SKILLS AND CARING FOR THE CRITICALLY ILL, THOSE
14 WHO ARE LABORING PATIENTS. HER PATIENT CARE AND COLLEGIAL
15 INTERACTIONS ARE NOTHING SHORT OF EXEMPLARY. AND WHETHER SHE'S
16 CARING FOR A PATIENT IN ACTIVE LABOR, A NEWBORN BABY OR A
17 PATIENT RECOVERING FROM ANESTHESIA, HER PATIENTS ARE HER
18 PRIORITY. SHE HAS TAKEN ON THE ROLE OF SUPER USER FOR HARBOR'S
19 LABOR AND DELIVERY SCHEDULING AND DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM. IN
20 THIS ROLE, SHE REVIEWS THE LABOR AND DELIVERY OF SURGICAL
21 CASES THAT ARE PERFORMED TO ENSURE THE COMPLETENESS OF THE
22 MEDICAL RECORD AND FOLLOW-UPS ON ANY DEFICIENCIES ENCOUNTERED.
23 DONETTE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE PREPARATION OF THE UNIT FOR
24 HARBOR U.C.L.A.'S RECENT BABY-FRIENDLY BREAST FEEDING
25 ASSESSMENT CERTIFICATION. SHE HAS A BACHELOR'S OF SCIENCE IN



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1 NURSING AND IS AN ASSET TO THE NURSING DEPARTMENT AT HARBOR
2 U.C.L.A. AND TO THE PROFESSION AS A WHOLE. PLEASE JOIN ME IN
3 GIVING A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE TO HARBOR U.C.L.A.'S 2012
4 OUTSTANDING NURSE OF THE YEAR, DONETTE LOZANO. [APPLAUSE.]

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. I HAVE ONE PRESENTATION
7 FOR A THIRD DISTRICT AWARDEE, AND THAT IS FOR MR. MOISES
8 BUENEFEE, GOT IT RIGHT, OKAY. HE'S A A THIRD DISTRICT RESIDENT.
9 MOISES HAS BEEN A COUNTY REGISTERED NURSE FOR 13 YEARS AND
10 HE'S BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR HIS CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE COUNTY
11 THROUGHOUT HIS CAREER. HE EARNED A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN
12 ELECTRONIC ENGINEERING FROM THE PHILIPPINES. AFTER MOVING TO
13 THE UNITED STATES HE WENT INTO THE NURSING PROGRAM AT L.A.
14 COUNTY U.S.C. SCHOOL OF NURSING. HE JOINED THE D.H.S.
15 DEPARTMENT IN 1999 AND HAS WORKED IN HOSPITAL UNITS AS WELL AS
16 IN OUR COMMUNITY CLINICS. HE CURRENTLY WORKS IN THE URGENT
17 CARE UNIT AT OUR HUDSON COMMUNITY CLINIC. MOISES RECEIVED THE
18 H. CLAUDE HUDSON NURSE RECOGNITION MERIT AWARD FOR 2004-2005
19 IN RECOGNITION OF HIS DEDICATION AND COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE
20 IN NURSING. IN 2006 HE WAS THE RECIPIENT OF THE PROFESSION AND
21 PASSION AWARD IN RECOGNITION OF HIS VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO
22 HUDSON'S NURSING DEPARTMENT AND THE L.A. COUNTY U.S.C.
23 HEALTHCARE NETWORK. MOISES'S COWORKERS HIGHLY VALUED HIS
24 CONTRIBUTIONS AND HIS ATTITUDE. ONE OF HIS COWORKERS RECENTLY
25 PRAISED HIM BY SAYING THAT "HE IS A GOOD CO-WORKER, A GOOD



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1 FRIEND. HE IS APPROACHABLE, KNOWLEDGEABLE AND HARDWORKING, A
2 TEAM PLAYER AND A GREAT MOTIVATOR." MOISES' FUTURE PLANS AND
3 PROFESSIONAL PLANS OBTAINING HIS B.S.N. AND PUBLIC HEALTH
4 CERTAIN CERTIFICATE. HE IS EXPERIENCED IN HOME HEALTH NURSING
5 AND WOULD ONE DAY WOULD LIKE TO RETURN TO THIS FIELD, AS WELL.
6 MOISES, WE THANK YOU FOR BEING THE OUTSTANDING INSPIRATION
7 THAT YOU ARE AND SALUTE YOU FOR BEING NAMED D.H.S.'S
8 AMBULATORY CARE NETWORK NURSE OF THE YEAR. CONGRATULATIONS.
9 [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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11 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. IT'S MY PLEASURE TO
12 WELCOME AND INVITE THE 2012 OUTSTANDING FOURTH DISTRICT NURSES
13 UP HERE TO JOIN ME, ANGELICA _____, MIMI _____, AND
14 JOAN LOCKWOOD. NOT ONLY ARE THESE WONDERFUL NURSES PROVIDING
15 OUTSTANDING SERVICE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT BUT ALL THREE OF
16 THEM RESIDE IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AS WELL. SO I'M REALLY
17 PROUD OF THEM. LET'S START WITH ANGELICA. SHE'S BEEN AN
18 INCREDIBLE NURSE FOR EIGHT YEARS AT RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL
19 REHABILITATION CENTER. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER AT RANCHO IN 2004
20 AS A STAFF NURSE ASSIGNED TO THE PEDIATRIC UNIT AND HAS WORKED
21 THERE EVER SINCE. ANGELICA HAS HELD THE POSITIONS OF ACTING
22 CHARGE NURSE, UNIT PRECEPTOR, C.P.R. INSTRUCTOR, AND HAS BEEN
23 A VERY ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN VARIOUS NURSING AND HOSPITAL
24 COMMITTEES. SHE VOLUNTEERS ON HER DAYS OFF TO ESCORT PEDIATRIC
25 PATIENTS ON MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL OUTINGS. SHE'S AN



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1 INTEGRAL PART OF THE PATIENT EDUCATION INITIATIVES AT RANCHO
2 AND SHE IS PERCEIVED BY ALL THOSE AT RANCHO AS AN EXCELLENT
3 CLINICIAN, A TEAM PLAYER WHO GOES ABOVE AND BEYOND THE
4 EXPECTATIONS OF HER POSITION TO CARE FOR HER PATIENTS. SO
5 CONGRATULATIONS, ANGELICA. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT IS MIMI, SHE WAS
6 BORN AND RAISED IN THE PHILIPPINES. SHE AND HER FAMILY MY
7 GRATED TO THE UNITED STATES WHEN SHE WAS 17 YEARS OLD TO SEEK
8 A BETTER LIFE. SHE WORKED AT A NUMBER OF JOBS BEFORE EARNING
9 HER REGISTERED NURSE LICENSE FROM CERRITOS COLLEGE. SHE
10 ENTERED COUNTY SERVICE AS A STAFF NURSE AT JUVENILE HALL IN
11 DOWNEY. SHE'S RECOGNIZED BY HER PEERS AS A HARD-WORKING NURSE
12 DEDICATED TO HER PATIENTS. WHEN THE JUVENILE HALL SWITCHED
13 OVER TO A COMPUTERIZED DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM, MIMI WAS CHOSEN
14 AS THE FACILITIES SUPER TRAINER TO ASSIST HER COWORKERS IN THE
15 TRANSITION. CARING FOR OTHERS IS A TRADEMARK OF HER FAMILY.
16 HER HUSBAND IS ALSO A NURSE, AND SHE'S ENCOURAGING HER SON TO
17 TAKE UP NURSING, AS WELL. CONGRATULATIONS, MIMI. [APPLAUSE.]
18 NEXT IS JOAN LOCKWOOD, COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "JOANY",
19 COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "MOM", RIGHT? A REGISTERED NURSE AND
20 MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE NURSE WITH OUR EMERGENCY MEDICAL
21 SERVICES AGENCY. JOANY IS FROM A FAMILY OF NURSES, AS WELL.
22 HER LATE MOTHER ANNE AND HER SISTER KATHY ALSO ATTENDED THE
23 COUNTY'S COLLEGE OF NURSING AND WORKED FOR THE COUNTY. JOANY
24 STARTED WITH THE COUNTY'S EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES AGENCY
25 AFTER WORKING IN LOCAL COMMUNITY HOSPITALS FOR OVER 27 YEARS.



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1 SHE CONDUCTED THE COUNTY'S FIRST MOBILE INTENSIVE CARE
2 TRAINING AND TAUGHT 63 REGISTERED NURSES FROM VARIOUS BASE
3 HOSPITALS THROUGHOUT OUR GREAT COUNTY. TO HER COWORKERS, JOANY
4 IS A MOM TO EVERYONE, HELPING, INSPIRING EVERYONE TO DO THEIR
5 BEST. TODAY WE RECOGNIZE HER FOR HER SKILL AND DEDICATION TO
6 PROTECTING THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH AND SAFETY. CONGRATULATIONS
7 JOANY. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST WE WANT TO RECOGNIZE TODD FRANKLIN WHO
12 OBTAINED HIS DEGREE IN NURSING FROM PASADENA CITY COLLEGE AND
13 WAS HIRED BY THE BURNS COMPLEX AT THE LAC+USC MEDICAL CENTER
14 THAT AUGUST. HE'S ONE OF THE BEDROCKS OF THE BURN COMPLEX
15 NURSING STAFF WITH A VERY POSITIVE ROLE MODEL, A STAFF OF ALL
16 DISCIPLINES FROM THE DOCTORS TO NURSING ATTENDANTS. AS A
17 CRITICAL CARE NURSE ON THE NIGHT SHIFT, HE HAS BEEN THE
18 EPITOME OF THE TEAM PLAYER. HIS FIRST CONCERN HAS BEEN THE
19 PATIENT AND THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHOM HE CARES FOR. HE'S
20 ALWAYS HAD A KEEN EYE OF MORALE OF HIS COWORKERS AND READY TO
21 ADVOCATE FOR THEIR NEEDS. FOR MANY YEARS HE VOLUNTEERED ON
22 INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS OVERSEAS IN KENYA AND OTHER POOR AREAS
23 OF AFRICA. HE'S BEEN ALSO ACTIVE IN CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS
24 AND PARTICIPATES IN THE FIREFIGHTER'S QUEST FOR BURN
25 SURVIVORS ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT. HE'S ALSO AN



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1 ORDAINED PASTOR. TODD AND HIS WIFE ANNA, HAVE THREE CHILDREN,
2 TWO OF WHOM ARE HERE TODAY REBECCA AND KELVIN. AND HE IS ALSO
3 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES NURSE OF THE YEAR. SO
4 CONGRATULATIONS, TODD. [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **TODD FRANKLIN:** I'D LIKE TO THANK MY STAFF, MY COWORKERS, MY
7 MANAGER, OUR MEDICAL DIRECTOR FOR THEIR SUPPORT FOR ME OVER
8 THE YEARS TO ALLOW ME TO DO MORE THAN JUST BE A BEDSIDE NURSE.
9 BEDSIDE NURSING IS MY PASSION, BUT I LIKE TO TAKE IT A STEP
10 FURTHER. I'D LIKE TO THANK MY WIFE AND MY FAMILY, MY MOTHER
11 WHO'S HERE, FOR ALL THE SUPPORT THAT THEY HAVE GIVEN ME. AND
12 THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO THE
13 HEALTHCARE OF THE PEOPLE OF LOS ANGELES. THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 HEALTH SERVICES GIVES THE BEST HEALTHCARE IN THIS COUNTRY, I
15 TRULY BELIEVE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NEXT WE HAVE ESTHER _____, WHO IS A
18 CERTIFIED NURSE ASSISTANT TO PUBLIC HEALTH. SHE'S A HANDS-ON
19 EXPERT LEADING AUDIT PROJECTS, DEBUGGING OF THE ELECTRONIC
20 CHART SYSTEM AND ALL THE WHILE INSPIRING OTHERS TO ACHIEVING
21 THEIR ORGANIZATIONAL GOALS AND EXCELLENCE. SHE BELIEVES IN THE
22 DEPARTMENT GOALS TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF LIFE IN OUR CITIES
23 AND OUR COMMUNITIES OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY, INCREASE YEARS OF
24 HEALTHY LIFE AMONG RESIDENTS WHILE REDUCING HEALTH PROBLEMS.
25 SHE'S A MEMBER OF THE ACADEMY OF CERTIFIED CASE MANAGERS AND



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1 LEADERSHIP EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. SHE'S
2 BEEN A N.I.C.U. NURSE, DISCHARGE PLANNER, HIGH-RISK INFANT
3 COORDINATOR RESEARCHER FOR SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME,
4 LIAISON NURSE TO THE LANTERMAN CENTER, A NONPROFIT CORPORATION
5 THAT SERVES OVER 7,000 CHILDREN AND ADULTS WITH DEVELOPMENTAL
6 DISABILITIES. SHE PROVIDES SUPPORT TO MOTHERS THAT HAVE
7 CHILDREN WITH DOWN'S SYNDROME. AND SHE EDUCATES C.C.S. NURSES
8 IN THE UNDERSTANDING OF THE DYNAMICS OF PREMATURE CLIENTS,
9 STANDARDS OF CARE AND N.I.C.U. TECHNOLOGIES AND PROVIDES
10 MODELS IN HOW TO BEST SERVE THE CLIENTS AND COMMUNITIES. SO,
11 ESTHER, CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] THERESA _____, UNLIKE
12 MOST NURSES, SHE BEGAN HER NURSING CAREER AT A MATURE AGE. IN
13 HER TEEN YEARS, THERESA SENSED THE CALLING TO BECOME A NURSE;
14 HOWEVER, THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR STEADY EMPLOYMENT KEPT HER
15 LIFETIME CALLING DORMANT FOR 31 YEARS. SHE REAFFIRMED THE
16 UNSHAKEABLE CALLING AND ENROLLED AT PIERCE COMMUNITY COLLEGE
17 IN THEIR NURSING PROGRAM. AFTER HAVING BEEN OUT OF THE
18 ACADEMIC SETTING FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS, ATTENDING NURSING
19 SCHOOL WAS NOT EASY, ESPECIALLY RUBBING SHOULDERS WITH
20 CLASSMATES WHO WERE HER CHILDREN'S AGE. HOWEVER, SHE KEPT
21 CONTINUING. SHE HAD AN UNFLINCHING CALLING TO THE VOCATION OF
22 SERVING AND HEALING. SHE'S BEEN A NURSE AT OLIVE VIEW MEDICAL
23 CENTER FOR THE PAST NINE YEARS. DURING THE FIRST FOUR YEARS
24 SHE WORKED AS A STAFF R.N. IN A MEDICAL SURGICAL UNIT.
25 AFTERWARDS SHE JOINED THE PATIENT FLOW PROGRAM AS A DISCHARGE



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1 NURSE. SHE FACILITATES TIMELY DISCHARGES AND EFFICIENT BED
2 TURNOVER BY COORDINATING DISCHARGE ACTIVITIES AND PATIENT
3 TREATMENT TEAM MEMBERS TO ENSURE DELIVERY OF QUALITY SERVICE
4 WHILE PROMOTING OPTIMAL PATIENT FLOW FOR THE HOSPITAL. MS.
5 _____ SPECIAL SEASONED TOUCH IS EVIDENT IN HER WORK. HER
6 UNIQUE ATTRIBUTE IS ALSO RECOGNIZED AND APPRECIATED BY HER
7 COLLEAGUES. SO WE'RE GOING TO CONGRATULATE THERESA FOR A GREAT
8 JOB. [APPLAUSE.] SHE WENT BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER 30 YEARS, WE'RE
9 GOING TO BE HONORING GERTRUDE WHO'S 106 YEARS OLD IN MY
10 PRESENTATION THIS MORNING, AS WELL. SO YOU'RE NEVER TOO OLD TO
11 GET INVOLVED AND CONTRIBUTE. NEXT IS SUZANNE _____ WHO HAS
12 BEEN AN R.N. FOR 30 YEARS SERVING OUR COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT
13 AS AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES EDUCATOR FOR THE PAST FOUR
14 YEARS. SUZANNE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRAINING ALL E.M.S.
15 PERSONNEL IN THE SANTA CLARITA AND LA CANADA FLINTRIDGE AREAS,
16 SHE HAS DEDICATED HER CAREER TO TRAINING E.M.S. PERSONNEL,
17 ENSURING THAT THE COMMUNITIES FOR WHICH SHE SERVES RECEIVES
18 THE OPTIMAL PATIENT CARE WHEN CALLING 911 FOR SERVICE. SHE
19 REVIEWS 100 PERCENT OF ALL E.M.S. CALLS WITHIN HER
20 JURISDICTION, REMAINING IN CONSTANT COMMUNICATION WITH HER
21 FIELD PERSONNEL, PROACTIVELY SERVING AS AN E.M.S. ADVOCATE
22 BETWEEN THE LOCAL HOSPITALS AND OUR COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENT.
23 SHE'S RESPECTED BY HER PEERS, DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND NURSING
24 STAFF AT OUR LOCAL HOSPITALS, AND SHE VOLUNTEERS EVERY
25 CHRISTMAS TO TAKE TOYS TO THE SICK CHILDREN IN HER LOCAL



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1 HOSPITALS, DOING THIS ON HER OWN TIME ON CHRISTMAS DAY. SO
2 CONGRATULATIONS, SUZANNE. [APPLAUSE.]

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE ONE MORE PRESENTATION. I'D
5 LIKE TO ASK CAPTAIN ROGER MEEKS TO JOIN ME. MEMBERS OF THE
6 BOARD, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, "ARMED FORCES DAY" IS CELEBRATED
7 THROUGHOUT THE UNITED STATES ON THE THIRD SATURDAY IN MAY IN
8 HONOR OF THE VALIANT MEN AND WOMEN OF THE ARMY, NAVY, AIR
9 FORCE, MARINE CORPS, COAST GUARD, NATIONAL GUARD AND RESERVES
10 WHO SERVE OUR NATION AROUND THE WORLD WITH HONOR, COURAGE AND
11 PRIDE. WE NOT ONLY RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THE SACRIFICES OF OUR
12 SERVICE PERSONNEL BUT REMEMBER, SUPPORT AND ENGAGE THE
13 FAMILIES AWAITING THEIR SAFE RETURN. EACH YEAR WE SET ASIDE
14 ONE DAY TO HONOR THE BRAVE AND DEDICATED MEN AND WOMEN IN
15 UNIFORM SERVING AMERICA ON LAND, AT SEA AND IN THE AIR,
16 PROTECTING US FROM THE THREATS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC. ON THIS
17 62ND "ARMED FORCES DAY", WE SOLEMNLY PAUSE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO
18 THE BRAVE MEN AND WOMEN OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED FORCES WHO
19 KEEP WATCH OVER OUR DEMOCRACY SO THAT WE CAN LIVE IN FREEDOM.
20 SO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WANTED TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY
21 THIS MORNING TO RESOLVE THAT MAY 19, 2012, THIS SATURDAY, WILL
22 BE RECOGNIZED AS "ARMED FORCES DAY" IN THE COUNTY OF LOS
23 ANGELES AND THAT ALL RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY ARE URGED TO
24 PARTICIPATE IN PATRIOTIC EVENTS HONORING THIS DAY AND HONORING
25 THE MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM THAT THE DAY SYMBOLIZES. WE'RE



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1 JOINED HERE BY CAPTAIN ROGER MEEKS, WHO IS THE COMMANDING
2 OFFICER OF NAVY OPERATIONAL SUPPORT CENTER HERE IN LOS
3 ANGELES. AND CAPTAIN MEEKS, ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF
4 SUPERVISORS, WE WANT TO FIRST OF ALL THANK YOU FOR YOUR
5 SERVICE TO OUR NATION AND ALSO IN PRESENTING THIS PROCLAMATION
6 TO YOU RECOGNIZE ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN BOTH HERE AND ABROAD
7 WHO SERVE IN UNIFORM TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

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9 **ROGER MEEKS:** ON BEHALF OF ALL THE ARMED FORCES, ESPECIALLY
10 NAVY OPERATIONS SUPPORT CENTER HERE IN LOS ANGELES, I THANK
11 YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT AND RECOGNITION. IT IS TRULY APPRECIATED
12 BY ALL SERVICE MEMBERS. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SUPERVISOR, COULD WE ASK THE
15 NURSES TO COME UP HERE FOR A SECOND FOR A GROUP PHOTO? THAT
16 WOULD BE GREAT. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE UP.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN, I'D LIKE TO ASK GLADYS
21 LEE AND MARY MARX FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO JOIN
22 ME UP HERE. THEY HAVE BOTH RECENTLY RECEIVED NATIONAL
23 RECOGNITION FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC SERVICE. FIRST UP IS
24 GLALDYS LEE. GLADYS WAS AWARDED THE NATIONAL -- IF WE COULD
25 ASK YOU TO LEAVE QUIETLY, WE'D APPRECIATE IT. THANK YOU.



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1 GLADYS WAS AWARDED THE NATIONAL NETWORK OF SOCIAL WORK
2 MANAGERS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN CULTURALLY COMPETENT
3 LEADERSHIP. BOY, THAT'S A LONG ONE, HUH? WHERE'D SHE GO? RIGHT
4 THERE. THE AWARD RECOGNIZES HER EXPERTISE AND DEDICATION TO
5 RECOGNIZING, SUPPORTING AND DEVELOPING THE EXPANSION OF
6 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES TO THE UNDERREPRESENTED
7 COMMUNITIES. GLADYS BEGAN HER COUNTY CAREER IN 1975 IN THE
8 DEPARTMENT OF ADOPTIONS. SHE RETIRED THIS YEAR AS THE MENTAL
9 HEALTH DISTRICT CHIEF OF THE PLANNING, OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT
10 DIVISION. SHE ALSO SERVED AS THE DEPARTMENT'S ETHIC SERVICE
11 MANAGER. SHE WAS VERY INSTRUMENTAL IN OVERSEEING THE COUNTY'S
12 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT SO THAT
13 UNDERREPRESENTED ETHNIC POPULATIONS WERE NOT TO BE EXCLUDED
14 FROM THE PROCESS. SO IT'S MY PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE GLADYS FOR
15 HER EXCELLENCE IN CULTURALLY COMPETENT LEADERSHIP AWARD AND TO
16 SAY PERSONALLY THANK HER FOR HER FRIENDSHIP OVER THE YEARS.
17 AND HERE YOU ARE, CONGRATULATIONS, GLADYS. [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** OUR NEXT NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE IS MARY
20 MARX. MARY RECEIVED THE NATIONAL EXEMPLAR AWARD. IT'S GIVEN TO
21 A SOCIAL WORK MANAGER WHOSE JOB PERFORMANCE IS NOT ONLY
22 EXCELLENT IN QUALITY BUT SERVES AS A MODEL FOR HER PEERS
23 ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AS A MENTAL HEALTH CLINICAL DISTRICT
24 CHIEF, MARY OVERSEES THE ADMINISTRATIVE AND FISCAL MANAGEMENT
25 OF BEHAVIORAL NEEDS OF 12,000 CLIENTS. SHE MANAGES THE BUDGET



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1 OF 40 MILLION DOLLARS AND A STAFF OF 68 MULTICULTURAL
2 EMPLOYEES, INCLUDING PSYCHIATRISTS, REGISTERED NURSES AND
3 PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKERS. HER LEADERSHIP HAS RESULTED IN
4 SIGNIFICANTLY EXPANDING CLINICAL SERVICES, SPECIAL
5 OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH RISK GROUPS, INCLUDING THE HOMELESS AND
6 A WIDE ARRAY OF SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES FOR INDIVIDUALS
7 WITH SEVERE AND PERSISTENT MENTAL ILLNESS. SO IT'S OUR
8 PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE THIS YEAR'S NATIONAL EXEMPLAR AWARD
9 WINNER, MARY MARX. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.]

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11 **MARY MARX:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO SAY THIS IS IMPOSSIBLE WITHOUT
12 THE SUPPORT OF YOUR BOARD AND THE LEADERSHIP IN THE DEPARTMENT
13 OF MENTAL HEALTH AND MY WONDERFUL STAFF WHO WORK SO HARD. AND
14 I REALLY APPRECIATE THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE OUR CLIENTS AND
15 THEIR FAMILIES IN THE COMMUNITY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **GLADYS LEE:** FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR KNABE
18 FOR THIS WONDERFUL HONOR AND FOR HIS RICHARD ESPINOZA FOR
19 THINKING OF US. AND ALSO THANK THE REST OF THE BOARD FOR THIS
20 RECOGNITION AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF UNDERSERVED COMMUNITIES.
21 I'VE BEEN IN THIS ROOM FOR MANY, MANY YEARS EACH YEAR AROUND
22 MAY FOR THE BUDGET HEARING ON BEHALF OF A.P.C.O.N.. SO THANK
23 YOU VERY MUCH FOR THIS HONOR. [APPLAUSE.]

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1 **DR. MARVIN SOUTHARD:** I WANTED TO RECOGNIZE THESE TWO
2 PARTICULAR SOCIAL WORK MANAGERS BUT ALSO ALL SOCIAL WORK
3 MANAGERS. I THINK PEOPLE ARE VERY MUCH AWARE OF WHAT SOCIAL
4 WORKERS DO ON THE LINE, BUT WHEN THEY ADD TO THAT HUMAN
5 INTERACTION THE ABILITY TO ALSO MANAGE PROGRAMS WELL, WE GET
6 SUPER STARS. SO GLADYS LEE HAS BEEN ONE OF THOSE INDIVIDUALS
7 WHO HAS BEEN ABLE TO MAKE INCLUDING PEOPLE IN ONE OF THE
8 THINGS THAT WE DO IN OUR COUNTY. SHE HAS FOR MANY YEARS MADE
9 SURE THAT ETHNIC MINORITIES ARE INCLUDED IN EVERY ASPECT OF
10 OUR SERVICES. AND MARY MARX HAS DONE A REMARKABLE JOB WITH THE
11 VERY MOST DIFFICULT POPULATIONS, MAKING SURE THAT BOTH PUBLIC
12 SAFETY AND CLIENT NEEDS ARE MET. SO I'M JUST VERY PROUD TO
13 HAVE THESE SOCIAL WORK MANAGERS SERVING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
14 AND DOING A JOB FOR ALL OF US. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AS I MENTIONED EARLIER, WE'RE RECOGNIZING AN
17 INDIVIDUAL, GERTRUDE NESS WHO IS 106 YEARS OLD. [APPLAUSE.]
18 SHE WAS BORN IN 1906 IN LEROY, MINNESOTA. AND HAS LIVED IN
19 GLENDALE SINCE 1941. VERY PROUD GRADUATE OF MINNESOTA STATE
20 TEACHERS COLLEGE WHERE SHE TAUGHT THIRD GRADE AND AFTERSCHOOL
21 BAND AND ORCHESTRA. AND THEN SHE AND HER HUSBAND MOVED TO
22 GLENDALE IN 1941. FROM 1943 TO 1944, SHE WORKED IN BURBANK ON
23 THE B-17 BOMBERS RIVETING THE BOMB BAY DOORS. [APPLAUSE.] THEN
24 IN 1944, SHE STARTED HER 30-YEAR CAREER IN CHILDCARE WITH THE
25 GLENDALE UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. IN THE LATE 60S SHE SERVED



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1 AS PRESIDENT OF THE CALIFORNIA CHILDCARE SUPERVISORS'
2 ASSOCIATION AND THEN SERVED THE GLENDALE DISTRICT NURSING
3 SCHOOL PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN WHOSE MOTHERS HAD TO GO TO WORK
4 DURING WORLD WAR II. AND THROUGHOUT HER GREAT CAREER, SHE
5 SERVED ON THE GLENDALE COORDINATING COUNCIL, THE GLENDALE
6 Y.W.C.A. BOARD, IF GLENDALE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA ASSOCIATION,
7 AND THE WOMEN'S CLUB OF GLENDALE AND THE _____ CLUB OF
8 GLENDALE. SHE'S CURRENTLY A MEMBER OF THE PATRON'S CLUB, SONS
9 OF NORWAY, GLENDALE'S RETIRED TEACHERS ASSOCIATION, AND
10 GLENDALE BEAUTIFUL AND SHE'S ALSO PLAYED PERCUSSION AND SERVED
11 AS A LIBRARIAN AT THE VALLEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA. SO I'M GOING
12 TO GO DOWN THERE AND GIVE GERTRUDE THE PROCLAMATION AND WISH
13 HER ANOTHER GREAT 106 YEARS. [APPLAUSE.]

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW, GERTRUDE.

16

17 **GERTRUDE NESS:** HE SAID I COULD ONLY HAVE A COUPLE WORDS. WELL
18 THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE. WHEN YOU'VE BEEN A TEACHER, YOU CAN'T GET
19 ALONG WITH JUST A COUPLE WORDS. I'M VERY HAPPY TO BE HERE. AND
20 ABLE TO BE HERE. IF IT WASN'T FOR MY DAUGHTER, MY
21 GRANDDAUGHTER AND MY KIDS, MY DAUGHTERS, I WOULDN'T GET HERE.
22 SO IT'S REAL IMPORTANT. I'VE KNOWN THIS GUY FOR A LONG TIME. I
23 KNEW HIM WHEN HE WAS JUST A KID. AND IT IS REALLY PLEASURE TO
24 BE HERE AND BE ABLE TO TALK TO PEOPLE. BUT OF COURSE, YOU



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1 KNOW, BEING AN OLD TEACHER, YOU NEVER -- YOU'RE ALWAYS HAVING
2 SOMETHING TO SAY. I'M HAPPY TO BE HERE. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** GOD BLESS YOU. THANK YOU, GERTRUDE.

5 [APPLAUSE.]

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO FOLLOW-UP WITH ANOTHER
8 GREAT INSTITUTION'S NEW LEADER AND THAT'S OUR TOURNAMENT OF
9 ROSES WHICH IS GOING TO BE CELEBRATING THE 124TH ROSE PARADE
10 PRESENTED BY HONDA THEME ON "OH THE PLACES YOU'LL GO" WILL
11 TAKE PLACE JANUARY 1, 2013 AT 8 A.M. IN THE MORNING FEATURING
12 THE MAJESTIC FLORAL FLOATS, HIGH-STEPPING EQUESTRIAN UNITS AND
13 THE SPIRITED MARCHING BANDS FROM ALL OVER THE UNITED STATES
14 AND THE WORLD. JEFFREY ALLEN HAS RECENTLY BEEN CHIEF OPERATING
15 OFFICER AS WELL AS THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER FOR THE
16 PASADENA TOURNAMENT OF ROSES PARADE. IN HIS NEW ROLE, HE WILL
17 INTERFACE WITH OUR VOLUNTEER LEADERS, OUR COMMUNITIES, OUR
18 CITY, GREAT CITY OF PASADENA, AND OUR NEIGHBORING CITIES IN
19 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RELATIVE TO COMMUNICATIONS,
20 MARKETING, MEMBERSHIP SERVICES, SPONSORSHIPS, SECURITY,
21 PROCUREMENT OF ADDITIONS TO THE TOURNAMENT, CORPORATE AND
22 CIVIC PARTICIPANTS. HE'S HAD 24 YEARS OF FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE
23 IN BOTH PUBLIC AND PRIVATE ACCOUNTING. HE WAS HIRED AS THE
24 CONTROLLER OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES IN 1999 AND THEN
25 PROMOTED TO CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER IN 2003. HE HAS SERVED



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1 FINANCIAL ROLES IN VARIOUS U.S. SOCCER-RELATED ENTITIES
2 INCLUDING THE VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE FOR WOMEN'S WORLD CUP
3 OF 1999, THE CONTROLLER FOR THE MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER AND
4 FINANCE MANAGER FOR THE MEN'S WORLD'S CUP OF 1994. HE BEGAN
5 HIS CAREER IN 1988 WITH COOPERS AND LYBRAND AS A PUBLIC
6 ACCOUNTING AUDITOR WHERE HE EARNED THE CERTIFICATE PUBLIC
7 ACCOUNTING CERTIFICATE. HE IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF
8 CALIFORNIA SANTA BARBARA WITH A BACHELOR'S IN ECONOMICS. WE'RE
9 VERY PLEASED THAT HE'S LEADING THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES AS THE
10 EXECUTIVE CHAIRMAN. SO WE WANT TO GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION
11 AND WELCOME YOU TO YOUR NEW TITLE. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **JEFFREY ALLEN:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH,
14 TOURNAMENT OF ROSES IS A VOLUNTEER-DRIVEN ORGANIZATION,
15 NONPROFIT. WE HAVE 935 ACTIVE VOLUNTEERS FROM THE GREATER
16 PASADENA AREA. EACH YEAR, WE ARE VERY PROUD TO BRING HUNDREDS
17 OF THOUSANDS OF SPECTATORS TO THE GREATER PASADENA AND LOS
18 ANGELES AREA TO WATCH OUR PARADE AND GAME. AS SUPERVISOR
19 ANTONOVICH SAID, WE ARE GOING TO HAVE OUR 124TH PARADE THIS
20 YEAR. I WISH GERTRUDE WAS STILL IN THE BUILDING. SHE MIGHT
21 HAVE SEEN 70 OF THOSE AFTER SHE MOVED HERE AFTER 1941. WE ARE
22 ALSO GOING TO HAVE OUR 99TH PARADE. I LOOK VERY FORWARD TO
23 HOLDING THE TRADITIONS OF THIS GREAT ORGANIZATION AND
24 CONTINUING TO MAKE IT SUCCESSFUL IN THE FUTURE AND CONTINUE TO



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1 BRING ALL THE SPECTATORS TO OUR AREA TO SHOWCASE THIS
2 WONDERFUL PLACE THAT WE LIVE. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'M VERY PROUD TO BE A MEMBER OF THE
5 TOURNAMENT FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS AND LOOK FORWARD TO THE NEXT
6 ROSE PARADE ON THE CORNER OF ORANGE GROVE BETWEEN COLORADO AND
7 GREEN. NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE A VERY IMPORTANT GROUP OF
8 INDIVIDUALS BECAUSE MAY IS FOSTER CARE AWARENESS MONTH IN OUR
9 COUNTY, WE ARE HONORING HOPE WORLDWIDE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA'S
10 CHAPTER. THIS IS A FAITH-BASED INTERNATIONAL CHARITY
11 ORGANIZATION WHO HAVE VOLUNTEERED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
12 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES SINCE 1995 AND IN 2012 MADE
13 HELPING CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE THEIR SIGNATURE PROGRAM. THEY
14 PROVIDE MANY VITAL SERVICES TO FOSTER CHILDREN, INCLUDING
15 ASSISTING AND TRANSPORTATION, SUPERVISING AND SUPPORTING
16 CHILDREN WHO ATTEND ADOPTION FAIRS AND OTHER RECRUITMENT
17 ACTIVITIES. THEIR VOLUNTEERS ALSO ORGANIZE ACTIVITIES
18 INCLUDING ARTS CRAFTS, CARNIVAL GAMES AND SPORTS ACTIVITIES.
19 IN 2011, THEIR ANNUAL MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY, JR. HOPE, THEIR
20 SINGING MINISTRY CHOSE TO VOLUNTEER AT THE ADOPTION WINTER
21 FAIR EVENT AS THEIR SERVICE COMMITMENT. ON JANUARY 2012 OF
22 THIS YEAR THEY HOSTED A RALLY IN POMONA FOR 600 INDIVIDUALS
23 THAT PROMOTED RAISING AWARENESS ABOUT CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE
24 AND VOLUNTEERING. THE THEME FOR THE RALLY WAS INCREASING THE
25 ODDS OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE AND FINDING FOREVER FAMILIES.



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1 VOLUNTEERS PAINTED MURALS ON THE WALLS OF BOTH CHILDREN'S
2 ROOMS AND VISITATION ROOMS AT THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
3 FAMILY SERVICES WATER RIDGE OFFICE. TONY AND ADRIAN, NEWSOME
4 CHAPTER DIRECTORS ARE ACCEPTING THE SCROLL ON BEHALF OF HOPE
5 WORLDWIDE. TONY IS A POLICE OFFICER AND A ADRIAN IS AN
6 ATTORNEY YET THEY BOTH MADE TIME IN THEIR BUSY LIVES TO DIRECT
7 THE OUTSTANDING PROGRAM. WE WANT TO THANK YOU BOTH AND GIVE
8 YOU THIS PROCLAMATION. [APPLAUSE.] ADRIAN IS NOT HERE TODAY
9 BUT THEY'RE ACCEPTING IT ON HER BEHALF, AS WELL.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** GOOD MORNING, EVERYONE. ON BEHALF OF HOPE WORLDWIDE,
12 AND ITS VOLUNTEERS AND ALSO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
13 FAMILY SERVICES BECAUSE WE COULDN'T DO THIS WITHOUT THEM. BUT
14 I REALLY APPRECIATE -- WE, HOPE WORLDWIDE, APPRECIATES THE
15 OPPORTUNITY TO PARTNER WITH COUNTY OFFICIALS AND, YOU KNOW,
16 JUST EVERYONE TO BE ABLE TO REACH OUT AND HELP SO MANY MORE
17 KIDS FROM FOSTER CARE ACTUALLY FIND FOREVER FAMILIES. SO THANK
18 YOU FOR THIS RECOGNITION. IT GOES TO OUR MANY VOLUNTEERS ALONG
19 WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, THE
20 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND HE'S A PROUD MEMBER OF LOS ANGELES POLICE
23 DEPARTMENT, SO THANK YOU. NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE GRACE
24 KANO AND LAURA PRICKET OF THE HELEN EVANS NURSING HOME FOR
25 THEIR CONTINUED COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN



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1 AND FAMILY SERVICES IN SERVING OUR MOST VULNERABLE CHILDREN.
2 MARCH 2012 THE COURT HAD ORDERED THE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE
3 TRANSPORTATION FOR ALEXANDER TO HIS ADOPTIVE HOME IN MICHIGAN.
4 DUE TO HIS SEVERE MEDICAL NEEDS, THE DEPARTMENT WAS CHALLENGED
5 IN FINDING A SKILLED NURSING SERVICE TO TRANSPORT THE CHILD.
6 WHEN MISS KANO WAS INFORMED OF THIS SITUATION, SHE QUICKLY
7 OFFERED TO ENSURE THAT THE MINOR WAS SAFELY ESCORTED TO HIS
8 NEW PERMANENT HOME. THROUGH HER SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT
9 LAURA, A REGISTERED NURSE, OBTAINED THE NECESSARY MEDICAL
10 TRAINING AND TRANSPORTED THE MINOR TO HIS ADOPTIVE HOME. SHE
11 HAS BEEN INSTRUMENTAL IN WORKING COLLABORATIVELY WITH THE
12 DEPARTMENT, ENSURING THAT THE CHILDREN'S REUNIFICATION PROCESS
13 WAS A SUCCESSFUL ONE. SHE ALSO PROVIDED VOLUNTEERS TO
14 TRANSPORT, SUPERVISE AND SUPPORT CHILDREN AS THEY ARE
15 TRANSITIONED TO ADOPTIVE FAMILIES. SO THANKS AGAIN.

16

17 **LAURA PRICKETT:** FIRST I WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF
18 SUPERVISORS FOR RECOGNIZING BOTH ME AND GRACE. I WOULD ALSO
19 LIKE TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES
20 FOR GIVING ME THIS OPPORTUNITY TO MEET A WONDERFUL KID AND
21 TAKE HIM TO MICHIGAN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **GRACE KANO:** ON BEHALF OF HELEN EVANS HOME I'D LIKE TO ACCEPT
24 THIS SCROLL. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR
25 RECOGNIZING WHAT WE DO FOR THE CHILDREN IN THE DEPARTMENT. I'D



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1 ALSO LIKE TO THANK THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
2 SERVICES FOR BEING A PARTNER WITH US IN PROVIDING THE
3 NECESSARY CARE AND SERVICES FOR THESE CHILDREN WHO NEED HELP.
4 WE SERVE MEDICALLY FRAGILE CHILDREN WHO NEED THE HELP OF A
5 DEPARTMENT TO EITHER BE REUNIFIED WITH FAMILIES OR FIND A
6 FAMILY WHO CAN CARE FOR THEM FOR THE REST OF THEIR LIVES. SO I
7 REALLY THANK EVERYBODY FOR THEIR SUPPORT. AND I ESPECIALLY
8 THANK THE OWNERS OF HELEN EVANS HOME FOR ALWAYS BELIEVING IN
9 THE CARE OF THESE KIDS AND ALWAYS UNDERSTANDING THAT THAT'S
10 MOST IMPORTANT. AND THANKS TO ALL THE STAFF AND EMPLOYEES AT
11 HELEN EVANS HOME THAT MAKE IT HAPPEN. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE DEPARTMENT'S HOTLINE NUMBER FOR
14 ADOPTIONS AND MENTORING IS 888-811-1121. THAT'S TOLL-FREE.
15 FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CONTROL, WE HAVE A LITTLE
16 POMERANIAN MIX. HER NAME IS SUGAR AND SHE'S 12 MONTHS OLD.
17 THIS IS SUGAR. SO SUGAR'S LOOKING FOR A HOME. ANYBODY WOULD
18 LIKE TO ADOPT HER CALL 562-728-4644 AND YOU CAN HAVE THIS
19 LITTLE CUBE OF SUGAR. THIS IS NONFAT SUGAR. NONFAT SUGAR. YOU
20 WILL HAVE TO WATCH HER OBESITY, RIGHT? THAT'S THE YEAR FOR
21 WATCHING OBESITY. THIS IS SUGAR-FREE. JUST IN THE NAME ONLY.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BEFORE WE START, LET ME TAKE
24 THE PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST. WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE WHO ASKED TO
25 BE HEARD ON MULTIPLE ITEMS. ARNOLD SACHS, IS HE HERE? MR.



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1 SACHS HERE? NOT HERE. ERIC PREVEN? ASKED TO BE HEARD ON S-1,
2 1, 17, 22, 23, 25, 26, 34, 40, 44, 54, 63, 71 AND 74. NO, JUST
3 COME ON UP AND DO IT. NOPE, NOT NOW. START HIS CLOCK, OKAY.

4

5 **ERIC PREVEN:** MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
6 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3 AND A LARGE NUMBER OF THOSE ITEMS--

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PULL YOUR MICROPHONE DOWN A LITTLE
9 BIT.

10

11 **ERIC PREVEN:** WERE DUPLICATIVE OF EACH OTHER WHEN YOU BOND THEM
12 TOGETHER, WHEN YOU SIGN UP FOR ONE, ALL THOSE OTHERS COME
13 ALONG. I'LL BE AS BRIEF AS I CAN. THE S-1 IS A REPORT BY THE
14 SHERIFF THAT I WAS HOPING TO HEAR. YOU DENIED ME THAT
15 OPPORTUNITY. I WAS HERE AT THE CITIZENS' COMMISSION ON JAIL
16 VIOLENCE YESTERDAY WHERE THE SHERIFF WAS NOT PRESENT BUT WE
17 HEARD FROM FORMER SHERIFFS AND FROM VARIOUS PERCIPIENT
18 WITNESSES ABOUT THE PROBLEMS IN OUR JAIL AND THIS TIES INTO
19 63, AS WELL. WHICH IS A REQUEST FOR 1.7 MILLION DOLLARS TO GET
20 SOME SERVERS IN PLACE TO DO THE RECORDINGS FROM CAMERAS THAT
21 WE HAVE INSTALLED IN OUR FACILITIES. THE S-1 REPORT IS KIND OF
22 DETAILED AND GOOD. IT'S 156 PAGES. WE GOT IT LAST WEEK. SO
23 THOUGH I WAS ABLE TO LOOK AT IT, THERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS, ONE
24 IN PARTICULAR IS THE OFFICER-WORN VIDEO CAMERA PROGRAM
25 TESTING, WHICH SEEMS TO BE IS A ONE-PAGE VERY DEEP IN THE



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1 REPORT WE'RE CONFUSED ABOUT THE IDEA OF SPENDING MONEY TO
2 RETROFIT A JAIL WHEN THE SHERIFF HAS ALSO INDICATED THAT MAYBE
3 IT'S TIME TO CLOSE PART OF MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL. SO WE WERE
4 HOPING TO GET SOME CLARITY ABOUT THAT. ITEM NUMBER 1 HAS TO DO
5 WITH VARIOUS APPOINTMENTS TO THE REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION
6 COMMISSIONS. I WOULD SAY JERRY HERTZBERG IS THIS YEAR'S WINNER
7 IN THAT HE SITS ON FIVE SEPARATE COMMISSIONS. THE NUMBER OF
8 DUPLICATIVE COMMISSIONERS IS HIGH. AND I'M NOT SURE IF THAT'S
9 OKAY. I GUESS IT SEEMS TO BE OKAY WITH YOU. WE'VE ALSO MADE
10 SOME EXEMPTIONS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO THOUGH RESTRICTED FROM
11 PARTICIPATING IN THESE COMMISSIONS IF THEY WERE ON THE CITY
12 COMMISSIONS OR CITY MANAGERS, WE'RE GOING TO GO AHEAD AND
13 WAIVE THAT IN A NUMBER OF INSTANCES. ITEM NUMBER 17 I HAVE TO
14 SAY IS INTERESTING AND GOOD NEWS. MR. FUJIOKA HAS NEGOTIATED A
15 30 PERCENT REDUCTION IN RENT FOR US TO PAY TO A GROUP CALLED
16 MITSUBISHI WAREHOUSE SPECIALISTS AT A FACILITY WHERE THE
17 SHERIFF IS DOING SOME BUSINESS. IT'S INCREDIBLE THAT IN THIS
18 TIME WE WERE ABLE TO NEGOTIATE THAT. SO THANK YOU FOR THAT.
19 ITEM NUMBER 20, I GUESS IT'S 25 I GET CONFUSED BY THESE. THE
20 MARINA ITEMS ARE OF SOME CONCERN BECAUSE HERE WE ARE FACING
21 SOME PROJECTS MOVING FORWARD DESPITE E.I.R.S THAT HAVE, WE
22 UNDERSTOOD, BEEN REGISTERED FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT, AND YET
23 NOW WE'RE BEING TOLD BY COUNTY COUNSEL THAT THAT IT'S NOT
24 NECESSARILY AS THE E.I.R. INDICATED AND THAT CERTAIN
25 RESTRICTIONS, FOR EXAMPLE, ON THE HEIGHT OF A BUILDING WILL



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1 NOT NECESSARILY BE ADHERED TO, THAT SUPERVISOR KNABE COULD
2 DECIDE TO CHANGE THAT. THAT IS PROBLEMATIC. AND SIMILARLY FOR
3 NEWHALL LAND AND RANCH. THIS IS A GROUP THAT IS DOING A HUGE
4 DEVELOPMENT OUT IN THE VALLEY. AND WE ARE WORRIED BECAUSE
5 WE'VE BEEN OVER SOME APPRAISAL ISSUES WITH THIS GROUP. AND THE
6 E.I.R. THERE WAS REALLY DEVASTATING. AND IT SEEMS TO BE PUSHED
7 FORWARD WITH THIS BOARD. I KNOW SOME MEMBERS OF THE BOARD --

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, THANK YOU. MR. DOUG
10 FRASER? YOU ASKED TO BE HEARD ON ITEM 16 AND 69? IS THAT YOU?
11 OKAY. COME ON DOWN. DANIEL GOTTLIEB AND JOHN NAHHAS? COME ON
12 DOWN IF YOU CAN. HAS TO BE HEARD ON 22, 23 AND 24. MR. FRASER,
13 YOU'RE UP FIRST. HAVE A SEAT. MR. FRASER, YOU'RE ON. GO AHEAD.

14

15 **DOUG FRASER:** EACH ONE HAS A PACKAGE AND THE TOP LETTER IS
16 ABOUT THE NEW ITEM NUMBER 6609 ON THE FUEL EQUIPMENT
17 TECHNICIAN, AGENDA 16? THIS IS AN ITEM THAT IS BEING
18 IMPLEMENTED BECAUSE OF A STATE WATER BOARD RULES IMPLEMENTED
19 IN 2005. ANYBODY THAT WORKS ON FUEL EQUIPMENT HAS TO BE A
20 JOURNEYMAN, HAS TO CONDUCT INSPECTIONS, HAS TO HAVE LICENSES,
21 MANUFACTURER CERTIFICATES AND SO FORTH. SO THE SALARY AND THE
22 SUGGESTED LEVELS THAT IS THERE IS NOT COMPARABLE TO JOURNEYMEN
23 LEVEL WORK. SO I WANT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO RESEARCH
24 THIS A LITTLE BIT AND TRY TO COME UP WITH A MORE SUITABLE
25 SALARY. ALSO IN THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE FEES AND THE



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1 LICENSES, IT'S A LITTLE CONFUSING AND DOESN'T SPECIFICALLY SAY
2 HOW MANY LICENSES, HOW MANY CERTIFICATES BECAUSE IN SOME OF
3 THE RESEARCH AND SOME OF THE WORK I'VE DONE, THERE ARE 25, 30
4 LICENSES THAT YOU HAVE TO HAVE. STATE WATER BOARD REQUIRES A
5 RENEWAL EVERY TWO YEARS. SOME OF THESE COSTS THOUSANDS OF
6 DOLLARS AND TAKE THREE DAYS OF CLASSES. SO IT'S REALLY
7 CONFUSING AS TO WHETHER THAT'S GOING TO BE ON COUNTY TIME OR
8 IT'S ON THE INDIVIDUAL TIME AND THE INDIVIDUAL'S MONEY. AND
9 THEN THE APPROACH TO HAVING JUST AN ITEM FOR ONE SPECIFIC,
10 USUALLY THERE'S A MAINTENANCE ITEM, SENIOR MAINTENANCE ITEM
11 AND A SUPERVISOR'S ITEM SUCH AS ELECTRICIAN, SENIOR
12 ELECTRICIAN, I MEAN SUPERVISOR ELECTRICIAN. SAME WITH PLUMBER,
13 THERE'S A PLUMBER, SENIOR PLUMBER, SUPERVISOR PLUMBER. WELL
14 THEY'VE ONLY COME UP WITH A FUEL EQUIPMENT TECHNICIAN; IT'S
15 6609. I'D LIKE TO SEE THAT THE SENIOR ITEM ALSO BE IMPLEMENTED
16 AND THE SUPERVISOR ITEM ALSO BE IMPLEMENTED. AND THAT'S THE
17 COVER SHEET. ANY QUESTIONS ON THE PACKAGE?

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT. MR.
20 NAHHAS? MR. NAHHAS, I'M GOING TO ASK YOU TO PUT THE CAMERA
21 DOWN. SERGEANT, IF YOU COULD JUST ENSURE IF PEOPLE WANT TO
22 FILM THE BOARD, THEY ARE WELCOME TO DO SO, NOT FROM WHERE
23 THEY'RE SITTING, AT THE WITNESS TABLE, BUT FROM BEYOND.

24

25 **JON NAHHAS:** UNDER WHAT LAW CAN YOU DO THAT?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M ASKING YOU TO DO THAT.

3

4 **JON NAHHAS:** I DISAGREE. THERE'S NOTHING IN THE LAW THAT ALLOWS
5 YOU TO DO THAT.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THEN YOU CAN DISAGREE. AND I'LL
8 CHECK THE LAW BEFORE THE DAY IS OUT. AND IF I'M WRONG, I'LL
9 APOLOGIZE.

10

11 **JON NAHHAS:** UNDER THE BROWN ACT, THE ONLY WAY THAT YOU CAN
12 INHIBIT US FOR A CAMERA-

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** START HIS CLOCK. YOU'RE ON MR.
15 NAHHAS.

16

17 **JON NAHHAS:** IS IF YOU ARE INHIBITING THE PUBLIC FROM WATCHING
18 THIS MEETING. YOU CANNOT VIOLATE MY RIGHTS. I CAN VIDEO CAMERA
19 FROM ANYWHERE IN THIS ROOM AS LONG AS I'M NOT INHIBITING ANY
20 ONE HERE.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DON'T ALLOW THE PRESS.

23

24 **JON NAHHAS:** YOU'RE STARTING MY TIME BUT YOU ARE IN FACT
25 VIOLATING THE BROWN ACT.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE DON'T ALLOW THE PRESS TO FILM
3 FROM THAT LOCATION. WE HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE WE HAVE THE
4 DISCRETION TO ASK YOU NOT TO DO THAT. IF YOU WANT TO FILM US,
5 YOU'RE WELCOME TO DO SO; DO IT FROM BEYOND THAT RAIL. YOU GET
6 JUST AS GOOD OF A SHOT WITH YOUR IPHONE AS I DO. NOW, START
7 HIS TIME ALL OVER AGAIN. I DON'T WANT TO PENALIZE HIM FOR MY
8 CONVERSATION. OKAY. YOU'RE ON.

9

10 **JON NAHHAS:** SUPERVISORS MY NAME IS JOHN NAHHAS, I'M WITH THE
11 BOATING COALITION AND I'M SORRY THAT WE'RE STARTING ON SUCH AN
12 UGLY NOTE, BUT THIS PROJECT WAS CIRCULATED AS ONE PROJECT, THE
13 F.E.I.R. IS ONE PROJECT. AND WE HAVE SIGNIFICANT EVIDENCE THAT
14 THIS WAS NOT GOING TO BE ALLOWED. YOU GUYS SAID THAT THIS WAS
15 NOT GOING TO BE ALLOWED AS PART OF THIS PROJECT. THAT IS A
16 SIGNIFICANT CHANGE TO THE E.I.R. WHEN YOU SIGNIFICANTLY CHANGE
17 AN E.I.R., A NEW E.I.R. MUST BE DONE. AND THERE IS NO EVIDENCE
18 TO SHOW THAT EACH ONE OF THESE INDIVIDUALLY HAS AN E.I.R..
19 THIS IS CONSIDERED ONE PROJECT. AS A MATTER OF FACT, IN THE
20 VERY FIRST PAGE OPENING OF THIS DOCUMENT, IT SAYS THIS
21 DOCUMENT REPRESENTS THE FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR
22 THE NEPTUNE MARINA PROJECT. ONE PROJECT. AND, AGAIN, IF DON
23 KNABE GETS ON THE RADIO AND SAYS WE WOULD NEVER ALLOW THE 19-
24 STORY HOTEL, "WE" MEANING THE SUPERVISORS, THAT SIGNIFICANTLY
25 CHANGES THIS PROJECT. AND IF YOU'RE GOING TO PUT UP TWO SEVEN-



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1 STORY HOTELS ON EITHER SIDE, IT'S GOING TO CREATE A VORTEX FOR
2 THE BOATS AND A NEW WIND STUDY MUST BE CREATED. SO YOU HAVE A
3 SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM HERE IN THAT THIS IS ONE PROJECT, AND YOU
4 JUST CAN'T MIX AND MATCH AND TAKE A PART OF IT OUT AND THEN
5 SAY "THE E.I.R. STILL STANDS, IT'S GOOD." IT'S NOT, IT HAS TO
6 BE RECIRCULATED WITH THAT NEW PART OF THE PROJECT THAT YOU'RE
7 GOING TO CHANGE. SECONDLY, SUPERVISORS, WE NEED TO ASK A
8 QUESTION. ARE THE TRAFFIC TRIP RATES 4.4 PER 1,000 SQUARE FOOT
9 OR ARE THEY 9.89 PER 1,000 SQUARE FOOT? IT'S A SIGNIFICANT
10 DIFFERENCE IN WHAT WE'VE SEEN IN THIS TRAFFIC STUDY. WE NEED
11 AN ANSWER FROM STAFF OR FROM YOU, CHAIRMAN, IF YOU WOULD
12 DIRECT STAFF TO AT LEAST ANSWER THAT QUESTION. 4.4 PER 1,000
13 SQUARE FOOT OR 9.89? IT'S A HUGE DIFFERENCE. AND IN THE
14 MARINA, I THINK YOU KNOW WE ARE ALREADY SUFFERING FROM
15 TRAFFIC. IF IT WAS DONE ON THE 1996 L.U.P., THAT IS NOT GOING
16 TO HOLD MUSTARD WITH ALL THE NEW DEVELOPMENT IN AND AROUND THE
17 MARINA ON LINCOLN BOULEVARD AND ON WASHINGTON BOULEVARD. WE
18 THINK IT'S MORE OF 9.89, WHICH WE GOT FROM A TRAFFIC
19 CONSULTANT. IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN THIS PROJECT IS GOING TO
20 SIGNIFICANTLY IMPAIR THE TRAFFIC WITH 528 AND THEN 288 HOTEL
21 ROOMS, 528 APARTMENTS. SO WE HAVE TWO MAJOR CONCERNS. ONE IS:
22 TELL US HOW THIS IS NOT ONE PROJECT ANY LONGER. AND YOU CAN
23 JUST PIECEMEAL THIS. AND THEN SECONDLY TELL US WHAT THE
24 TRAFFIC TRIP RATES ARE. 4.4 OR 9.89 PER SQUARE FOOT?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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3 **JON NAHHAS:** THANK YOU.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO ASK THE STAFF WHEN
6 THE PUBLIC HEARING IS OVER AND WE GET TO THIS ITEM TO ADDRESS
7 THE QUESTIONS THAT MR. NAHHAS ASKED.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** FINAL REVIEW BY COUNTY COUNSEL.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I UNDERSTAND BUT I JUST WANT FOR
12 THE RECORD TO HAVE THAT ADDRESSED.

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** HE'S TRYING TO DELAY THE PROJECT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** PROFESSOR GOTTLIEB?

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18 **DAN GOTTLIEB:** I'M DAN GOTTLIEB, PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF
19 MATHEMATICS AND TODAY I WANT TO SPEAK ABOUT A MATHEMATICAL
20 ERROR WHICH ABSOLUTELY "MISTAKE" IS TOO NICE A WORD, WHICH IS
21 INVOLVED IN ITEMS 22 AND 23. IT INVOLVES THE DEFINITION OF A
22 VIEW CORRIDOR. IN 1995, VIEW CORRIDORS WERE REQUIRED TO
23 PREVENT MASSIVE DEVELOPMENT IN THE MARINA. AND EACH VIEW
24 CORRIDOR WAS SUPPOSED TO BE 20 PERCENT OF THE FRONT, OF THE
25 WATER FRONTAGE. AND WHAT'S HAPPENED IN YOUR-- WHAT'S HAPPENED



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1 IN YOUR DOCUMENT IS THAT THE VIEW CORRIDORS ARE VERY CLEVERLY
2 ADDED UP AND NOT THE VIEW CORRIDORS THAT THEY HAVE THAT
3 THEY'RE CLAIMING ARE VIEW CORRIDORS ARE LESS THAN 20 PERCENT.
4 BUT IF THEY ADD UP THE 20 PERCENT OR 29 PERCENT OR WHATEVER,
5 THEN THEY'RE CLAIMING THAT THAT'S CORRECT. BUT THE DEFINITION
6 OF A VIEW CORRIDOR IS LIKE THE DEFINITION OF AN AMERICAN
7 QUARTER. IT'S 25 CENTS. IT'S THE COIN THAT'S 25 CENTS. 5
8 NICKELS IS NOT A QUARTER. AND SIMILARLY THESE LITTLE VIEW
9 CORRIDORS ARE NOT A VIEW CORRIDOR. BECAUSE A VIEW CORRIDOR HAS
10 A DEFINITE MATHEMATICAL DEFINITION AND THEY ARE VIOLATING
11 THIS. SO I GAVE YOU A LETTER, WHICH WAS ACTUALLY WRITTEN TO
12 SOMEONE ELSE, AND THE PORTION I WANT YOU-- I DIDN'T KNOW HOW
13 MUCH OF THIS I COULD SPEAK ON ON THE PORTION IS GIVEN BY THE
14 BARS THERE. SO IF YOU'RE ACTUALLY INTERESTED IN WHAT I'M
15 SAYING, YOU CAN LOOK AT THAT. THIS IS A MISTAKE. NOT A
16 MISTAKE. IT'S A DEFINITE MISLEADING. YOU CAN ASK ANY OTHER
17 MATHEMATICIAN TO LOOK AT THE LAWS. AND THEY'LL SEE THAT VIEW
18 CORRIDOR IS EXPLAINED VERY, VERY CLEARLY, THE DEFINITION. AND
19 THERE'S NO, NO LEGITIMATE REASON TO CLAIM THAT IT'S ADDED UP
20 OUT OF NICKELS. ALSO LET ME SAY IN MY REMAINING TIME ABOUT THE
21 E.I.R. THAT JON NAHHAS WAS TALKING ABOUT. THE E.I.R., WHICH IS
22 SORT OF OUT OF DATE BECAUSE ONE PROJECT WAS PULLED OFF OF IT,
23 YET THE CONDITIONS IN YOUR PERMIT ARE MADE WITH THAT E.I.R. SO
24 HOW CAN YOU REALLY TELL WHAT THE CONDITIONS ARE? IF THEY'RE
25 TALKING ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE IN THE PROJECT THAT'S ACTUALLY



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1 BEING PERMITTED, THAT'S A BIG MISTAKE, ALSO. SO I THINK YOU
2 SHOULD IMPROVE THAT. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU, PROFESSOR GOTTLIEB. CAN
5 I JUST HAVE THE STAFF UP HERE ON THESE MARINA ITEMS BRIEFLY?
6 JUST ADDRESS THE ISSUE OF THE PARKING RATIOS AND WHETHER
7 THERE'S BEEN A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE OF PROJECT. I WANT TO GET
8 THAT ON FOR THE RECORD.

9

10 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** ANITA GUTIERREZ FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
11 REGIONAL PLANNING. SUPERVISOR, THE ISSUE OF THE E.I.R., THERE
12 IS ONE COMPREHENSIVE E.I.R. THAT WAS CERTIFIED BY YOUR BOARD
13 WHICH IS COMPREHENSIVE OF THE FOUR PROJECTS. THERE ARE PROJECT
14 COMPONENTS, WHICH COME FORWARD TO YOUR BOARD SEPARATELY FOR
15 PROJECT ENTITLEMENT. THREE OF THOSE PROJECTS ARE BEFORE YOU
16 TODAY. THE OTHER QUESTION WAS THE WOODSON PROJECT. THE ONE
17 PROJECT IS NOT BEFORE YOU. THAT WAS REMANDED BACK TO THE
18 REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION. THAT PROJECT ONCE SUBMITTED BY
19 THE APPLICANT TO THE COMMISSION WILL BE REVIEWED AND THEN GO
20 FORWARD. IF NEEDED, ADDENDUM OR SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL
21 WILL BE DONE FOR THAT PROJECT.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. HOW ABOUT THE RATIO YOU?

24



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1 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** THE RATIO REGARDING THE TRAFFIC, THE 9.89
2 NUMBER THAT HE MENTIONED WAS THE MAXIMUM. THAT WAS THE WORST
3 CASE SCENARIO, AND THAT WAS THE CEILING. THE 4.4 TO THE 9.89
4 FOR VEHICLE TRIPS.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THEY LOOKED AT A RANGE, SUPERVISOR. THEY LOOKED AT A
7 RANGE OF TRIPS BASED ON DIFFERENT-

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOT YOU. I'M JUST HAVING TROUBLE
10 HEARING.

11

12 **SUP. KNABE:** IT SOUNDS REAL ECHOEY.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SOUNDS ECHOEY AND DISTANT AS
15 OPPOSED TO HOW IT NORMALLY DOES. IT'S NOT THE VOLUME. IT'S THE
16 LACK OF CLARITY. SAY SOMETHING AGAIN. ANSWER THAT RATIO
17 QUESTION AGAIN.

18

19 **ANITA GUTIERREZ:** IT'S ONE E.I.R. FOR ALL FOUR PROJECTS.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** USUALLY WE HAVE SOME VOLUME COMING
22 RIGHT DIRECTLY AT US. WE'RE HEARING IT OFF THAT. THAT'S MAKING
23 IT HARDER. I'M NOT HEARING IT OFF MY SPEAKER, I GUESS. ANYWAY,
24 I JUST CALL IT TO YOUR ATTENTION.

25



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** MINE'S TOTALLY DOWN.

2

3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GO AWAY FOR A WEEK AND THE PLACE
4 GOES TO HELL IN A HAND BASKET. IT'S AMAZING. THANK YOU FOR
5 THAT. SO WHAT ARE THE ITEMS WE HAVE?

6

7 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** WE HAVE SEVERAL ITEMS BEFORE YOU. SO I
8 COULD GO THROUGH THE LIST. IT'S ITEM NUMBER 1, ITEM NUMBER 10,
9 ITEM NUMBER 16, 17. ON ITEM NUMBER 20, THE MEMBER OF THE
10 PUBLIC HAD RELEASED THEIR HOLD ON THIS ITEM, SO THAT WILL BE
11 BEFORE YOU. ITEM NUMBER 22, 23, 24. ITEM NUMBER 34, ITEM
12 NUMBER 40 AND 44 WILL BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK, BOTH OF THEM.
13 ITEM NUMBER 51, 69 AND 71 ARE BEFORE YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MOVED BY KNABE. SECONDED BY
16 RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

17

18 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT ABOUT 25 AND 26? OKAY.
21 SUPERVISOR MOLINA, YOU'RE UP FIRST.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. FIRST OF ALL, LET ME DO AN
24 ADJOURNMENT. I WISH TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF HENRY C.
25 MARTINEZ.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TURN THE MIC ON.

3

4 **SUP. MOLINA:** IT'S ON. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF
5 HENRY C. MARTINEZ, HE'S THE BELOVED FATHER OF FORMER RIO HONDO
6 COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEMBER MARIA ELENA MARTINEZ. HE WAS
7 A DEVOTED FAMILY MAN, LONG TIME RESIDENT OF PICO RIVERA AND
8 PROUD UNITED STATES ARMY VETERAN. HE VOLUNTEERED COUNTLESS
9 HOURS IN HELPING DISADVANTAGE CHILDREN AS WELL AS THE
10 HOMELESS. HE HAD NUMEROUS CIVIC CONTRIBUTIONS. AND SO BECAUSE
11 OF THAT, HE'LL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. WE WANT TO EXTEND OUR
12 HEARTFELT CONDOLENCES TO THE ENTIRE MARTINEZ FAMILY.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

15

16 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. AND I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE UP 75-A.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

19

20 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON 75-A, I HAD PUT IN A MOTION AND I'D LIKE TO
21 INTRODUCE A SUBSTITUTE FOR THAT. AND IT ALL STEMS FROM MY
22 STAFF LAST WEEK VISITED THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
23 SERVICES EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMAND POST. THEY WERE THERE
24 BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 11:30 AND 1 A.M. THE ACTIVITY THEY
25 WITNESSED MADE IT CRYSTAL CLEAR THAT THE COMMAND POST CURRENT



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1 OPERATIONS ARE NOT ADEQUATE FOR THE SAFE AND APPROPRIATE
2 SUPERVISION OF CHILDREN WITH DIVERSE NEEDS AND ISSUES. THERE
3 WERE BABIES, PREGNANT TEENAGERS, YOUTH WITH SEVERE BEHAVIORAL
4 ISSUES, YOUTH WITH SUBSTANCE ABUSE ISSUES, AND YOUTH WITH
5 MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES, RUNAWAYS, YOUTH ON PROBATION FOR A
6 VARIETY OF CRIMES. SO FIRST AND FOREMOST WE NEED TO RECOGNIZE
7 AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE CURRENT SPACE THAT IS THERE IS TOTALLY
8 NOT APPROPRIATE. CHILDREN MUST NOT BE SHELTERED IN LITTLE
9 OFFICE CUBICLES. YOUTH WHO ARE VERY DIVERSE CANNOT BE PROPERLY
10 SUPERVISED IN OFFICE SPACE. IT'S EVIDENT THAT THE PRACTICES
11 CANNOT CONTINUE AND THAT LINE STAFF NEED SOME ADDITIONAL
12 SUPPORT. AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, I THINK WE ALL UNDERSTAND
13 AND RECOGNIZE THAT WE NEED TO ENSURE THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES PROVIDES TIMELY AND APPROPRIATE
15 PLACEMENTS FOR THE YOUTH THAT ARE UNDER OUR CARE. AS PART OF
16 THE DUTY INCLUDES THE APPROPRIATE CAR AND SUPERVISION FOR
17 THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE WAITING PLACEMENTS FOR HOURS AND
18 HOURS AND HOURS. SO WHAT I'D LIKE TO DO IS I'D LIKE TO
19 SUBSTITUTE THIS MOTION AND THEN CONTINUE IT FOR A WEEK BECAUSE
20 I DO THINK IT REQUIRES EACH OF US TO TAKE A HARD LONG LOOK AT
21 THE SITUATION THAT WE'RE IN. AND THE MOTION READS AS
22 FOLLOWING. "THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS
23 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE SAFETY AND THE WELL-BEING OF YOUTH. THE
24 RESPONSIBILITY COMES WITH A DUTY TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES" --
25 AND AGAIN I SAY WHATEVER IT TAKES --" TO ENSURE THAT EVERY



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1 CHILD HAS A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE. THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN
2 SERVICES HAS BEEN AUDITED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA REGARDING
3 THE OVERSTAYS AT THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMAND POST; AND AS A
4 RESULT, THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES HAS
5 COMMITTED TO THIS BOARD THAT ACTIONS ARE BEING TAKEN TO
6 ADDRESS ALL OF THE CHALLENGES PREVENTING SOCIAL WORKERS FROM
7 PLACING CHILDREN IN A TIMELY MANNER AND IN THE BEST PLACEMENT
8 AVAILABLE. UNFORTUNATELY, DUE TO A NUMBER OF INSTITUTIONAL AND
9 LEGISLATIVE BARRIERS, HIGH NUMBERS OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH
10 CONTINUE TO BE PLACED AT THE COMMAND POST. DOCTOR ASTRID HEGER
11 CREATED THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE AT L.A. COUNTY U.S.C. MEDICAL
12 CENTER. THE VIOLENCE INTERVENTION PROGRAM OR V.I.P. AS IT IS
13 KNOWN IS THE MAIN COMPONENT OF THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE. IT
14 PROVIDES MEDICAL, FORENSIC, MENTAL HEALTH, SOCIAL AS WELL AS
15 LEGAL SERVICES. THE CHILDREN'S VILLAGE FORENSIC AND MENTAL
16 HEALTH HUB OPERATES 24 HOURS A DAY, 7 DAYS A WEEK. THIS ONE
17 STOP SHOP IS AN IDEAL LOCATION TO COMPREHENSIVELY SERVE AND
18 SHELTER THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES' YOUTH
19 AFTER HOURS AS THEY AWAIT PLACEMENT." I THEREFORE MOVE THAT
20 THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
21 SERVICES, PHILIP BROWNING, WORK WITH DR. ASTRID HEGER TO
22 REPORT BACK TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN TWO WEEKS REGARDING
23 THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN THAT WILL CLEARLY OUTLINE HOW THE
24 CHILDREN'S VILLAGE AT THE MEDICAL CENTER CAN BE USED TO SERVE
25 AS AN OUTSTATION FOR THE D.C.F.S. AFTER-HOUR PLACEMENT FOR



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1 DETAINED CHILDREN WHO REQUIRE COMPREHENSIVE CASE MANAGEMENT.
2 ADDITIONALLY, THE DIRECTOR SHOULD REPORT BACK IN TWO WEEKS
3 WITH AN IMPLEMENTATION TO OVERHAUL THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND
4 COMMAND CENTER UNIT TO PROCESS AND INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:
5 NUMBER 1, AN ASSESSMENT OF THE TYPES OF CHILDREN THAT COME
6 INTO THE E.R.C.P., CLEARLY IDENTIFYING THEIR ISSUES, THE NEEDS
7 THAT MUST BE ADDRESSED IN ORDER TO QUICKLY IDENTIFY THE
8 APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF SERVICES AS WELL AS THE PLACEMENT OPTIONS
9 FOR THEM. SECONDLY, DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN A DAILY INVENTORY OF
10 AVAILABLE PLACEMENT OPTIONS FOR DETAINED CHILDREN SO THAT
11 SOCIAL WORKERS NOT MAKING 26 TO 35 CALLS A NIGHT. DEVELOP A
12 UNIT THAT IS DEDICATED TO CASE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOP A CASE
13 MANAGEMENT METHODOLOGY FOR HIGH RISK, HIGH PROFILE YOUTH THAT
14 INCLUDES CONDUCTING ASSESSMENTS AND WORKING WITH THE REGIONAL
15 OFFICES TO DEVELOP CASE PLANS AND ATTRACT TRANSIT MIGRATION IN
16 AND OUT OF THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE AND COMMAND POST. REASON
17 WE'RE DOING THIS IS WE HAVE A LOT OF AS THEY'RE KNOWN FREQUENT
18 FLYERS THAT ARE IN AND OUT. AND USING IT AS SHELTER AND YET
19 THEY'RE UNDER OUR FOSTER CARE. WE NEED TO PARTNER WITH THE
20 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS
21 OUTLINED IN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH E.R.C.P.
22 OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS REPORT, WHICH IS AN EXCELLENT
23 REPORT. AND, FINALLY, WE NEED TO AMEND THE CONTRACT WITH GROUP
24 HOMES, FOSTER FAMILY AGENCIES AND LICENSED FOSTER HOMES TO
25 INCLUDE STIPULATIONS THAT HOMES MUST REMAIN AVAILABLE 24 HOURS



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1 A DAY PER DAY SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FOR THESE KINDS OF PLACEMENTS
2 IF THERE IS AN AVAILABLE SPACE." SO I AM GOING TO ASK THAT
3 THAT ITEM BE CONTINUED FOR A WEEK SO THAT WE CAN HAVE AN
4 OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IT AND THINK ABOUT IT. BUT IT IS A VERY
5 SERIOUS SITUATION. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, WHEN I CAME AND SAW
6 WHAT WAS GOING ON IN MACLAREN WE HAD CONSTANT, CONSTANT
7 REFORMS THAT WE INTRODUCED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
8 FAMILY SERVICES ABOUT HOW TO TAKE CARE OF THESE CHILDREN THAT
9 HAD HUGE EMOTIONAL ISSUES. THEY HAD DRUG ABUSE ISSUES. THERE
10 WERE BABIES THAT WERE ABANDONED FROM TIME TO TIME. THERE WERE
11 ALL KINDS OF CHILDREN THERE. AND FOR WHATEVER REASON, THE
12 DEPARTMENT NEVER ROSE TO THE OCCASION TO DO THE KIND OF
13 REFORMS. IT BECAME AN ASYLUM FOR CHILDREN, WHICH IS
14 INAPPROPRIATE FOR L.A. COUNTY TO MANAGE AND SUPERVISE. WELL
15 NOW WHAT WE HAVE IS THE AFTERMATH OF THAT. THE DEPARTMENT HAS
16 JUST NOT MOVED FORWARD FAST ENOUGH IN CREATING THE KIND OF
17 REFORMS. SO WHILE WE DON'T HAVE MACLAREN WE HAVE A MINI
18 MACLAREN ON OPERATING AT THE EMERGENCY COMMAND POST. AND
19 THAT'S INAPPROPRIATE. TO HAVE CHILDREN WHO ARE USING DRUGS, TO
20 HAVE CHILDREN THAT ARE COMING IN WITH WEAPONS, TO HAVE
21 PREGNANT TEENS THAT ARE COMING IN AND OUT AS WELL AS
22 PROSTITUTES THAT ARE JOINING US, ALL OF THESE FOLKS ARE NOT
23 THE APPROPRIATE CHILDREN I MEAN THAT SHOULD BE AROUND SOME OF
24 THESE CHILDREN THAT ARE ONLY NINE MONTHS OLD AS WAS THERE LAST
25 WEEK. SO WE NEED TO MOVE QUICKLY ON THAT. AND THE ISSUE IS



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1 SAFETY FOR THESE CHILDREN AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LONG TERM
2 PLAN AS TO HOW THE DEPARTMENT IS FINALLY GOING TO WRESTLE WITH
3 THE ISSUE THAT THEY HAVE BEFORE THEM, AND THAT IS TO MANAGE
4 EFFECTIVELY ALL OF THE ISSUES OF THE EMERGENCY COMMAND POST.
5 THAT'S MY MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IN THE THEREFORE MOVE PART, YOU
8 ADD THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENTS THAT
9 NEED TO WORK TOGETHER ON THIS.

10

11 **SUP. MOLINA:** WHAT? WHAT? WHAT?

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ADD D.H.S., THE DEPARTMENT OF
14 HEALTH SERVICES TO D.C.F.S. IN THE FIRST SENTENCE OF YOUR
15 THEREFORE MOVE.

16

17 **SUP. MOLINA:** THAT'S FAIR ENOUGH. GOOD ENOUGH.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ANY OBJECTION TO CONTINUING IT?
20 CONTINUE IT A WEEK. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE ITEM WILL BE
21 CONTINUED A WEEK AS PRESENTED AND AMENDED.

22

23 **SUP. MOLINA:** CONTINUE IT UNTIL NEXT WEEK?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S WHAT YOU ASKED. IS THAT
2 WHAT YOU WANT, NEXT WEEK?

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4 **SUP. MOLINA:** RIGHT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. SO ORDERED.

7

8 **SUP. MOLINA:** I ALSO HAVE A SUBSTITUTE MOTION FOR ITEM NUMBER
9 3. AGAIN, WE'VE HAD SOME ISSUES WITH SOME OF THE APPOINTEES
10 THAT WE HAVE BEEN MAKING TO THE VARIOUS OVERSIGHT BOARDS AND I
11 WANT TO MAKE SURE WE GET THESE CLARIFICATIONS. WE HAD TO
12 CHANGE SOME AROUND. THERE'S UNFORTUNATE RECENT VACANCIES THAT
13 CONTINUE TO EXIST. I THEREFORE MOVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
14 FIND THAT EMERGENCY EXISTS DUE TO THE UNSCHEDULED VACANCIES ON
15 THE VERNON, WEST COVINA, IRWINDALE, CLAREMONT, MONTEBELLO,
16 MAYWOOD, AND HUNTINGTON PARK REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION
17 OVERSIGHT BOARDS. AND THAT THE BOARD FILL THESE UNSCHEDULED
18 VACANCIES IMMEDIATELY AS FOLLOWS: APPOINT JERRY HERTZBERG AND
19 CARRIE SUPKIN TO THE WEST COVINA REDEVELOPMENT OVERSIGHT
20 BOARD. APPOINT NICOLE ENGLAND AND DAVID VEILA TO THE VERNON
21 REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION OVERSIGHT BOARD. APPOINT FERNANDO
22 OLIVEROS TO THE CLAREMONT REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION OVERSIGHT
23 BOARD. APPOINT YOLANDA DUARTE TO THE MONTEBELLO AND THE
24 HUNTINGTON PARK REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION OVERSIGHT BOARD.
25 APPOINT LOUISA OLAGI TO THE MAYWOOD REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION



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1 OVERSIGHT BOARD AND APPOINT TIM MARTINEZ TO THE IRWINDALE
2 REDEVELOPMENT DISSOLUTION OVERSIGHT BOARD. I MOVE THAT.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IT'S MOVED. I'LL SECOND
5 IT.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** AS SUBSTITUTE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS THERE ANY OBJECTION? WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

11

12 **SUP. MOLINA:** ALL RIGHT. AND AS FAR AS ANY OTHER ITEMS, I DON'T
13 HAVE ANYTHING ELSE.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS? NO
16 ADJOURNING MOTIONS?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING
19 MOTIONS BEGINNING WITH LIEUTENANT CLAUDE DAVIS BORN JANUARY
20 11, 1920 IN ALABAMA AND PASSED ON APRIL 30TH AT THE AGE OF 92.
21 HE WAS RAISED IN PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA AND EARNED AN
22 ENGLISH DEGREE FROM WILBURFORCE UNIVERSITY IN OHIO. HE WAS AN
23 OUTSTANDING STUDENT AND WAS RECRUITED BY THE UNITED STATES
24 ARMY TO SERVE AS A TUSKEGEE PILOT DURING WORLD WAR II. AFTER
25 SERVING 10 YEARS IN THE MILITARY, HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES



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1 IN THE 1950S AND WORKED AS A REAL ESTATE BROKER. HE SERVED ON
2 THE COUNTY'S ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD AND MANY OTHER BOARDS
3 AND COMMISSIONS. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED AS AN AMERICAN HERO WHO
4 LIVED BY HIS MOTTO "DON'T GET MAD, GET SMART." HE IS SURVIVED
5 BY HIS WIFE MARTHA, HIS DAUGHTER SUSAN, HIS THREE SONS CLAUDE,
6 JR., MICHAEL AND STEVEN. SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN, FIVE GREAT
7 CHILDREN AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL
8 MISS HIM DEARLY. LIEUTENANT CLAUDE DAVIS. ROBERT ROBINSON,
9 BORN JANUARY 5, 1939 IN CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA, AND PASSED
10 ON MAY THE FIFTH AT THE AGE OF 73. AS A CHILD, HIS FAMILY
11 MOVED TO GEORGIA AND THEN TO PASADENA. HE GRADUATED FROM
12 JEFFERSON HIGH SCHOOL AND SERVED TWO YEARS IN THE UNITED
13 STATES ARMY. HE WORKED IN THE TRUCKING INDUSTRY FOR OVER 50
14 YEARS AND CAME OUT OF RETIREMENT TO WORK FOR ENTERPRISE CAR
15 RENTAL FLEET. HE WAS A LONG-TIME MEMBER OF THE AFRICAN BAPTIST
16 CHURCH WHERE HE WAS ORDAINED AS A DEACON AND SERVED ON MANY
17 CHURCH COMMITTEES. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, ROSALIA, HIS
18 MOTHER, BEATRICE, HIS SISTER JOAN, BROTHERS TRENT AND LYNDON,
19 TWO CHILDREN, ROLANDO AND ROBIN, 11 GRANDCHILDREN AND A HOST
20 OF EXTENDED FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY.
21 ROBERT LEE EATON. BORN ON NOVEMBER 6, 1953 IN LOS ANGELES,
22 CALIFORNIA AND PASSED ON MAY 6TH AT THE AGE OF 58. LIFELONG
23 RESIDENT OF COMPTON AND BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH THE LOS ANGELES
24 COUNTY IN 1977 AS AN ELECTRICAL HELPER. AFTER SUCCESSFULLY
25 COMPLETING THE TRAFFIC TECHNICIAN PROGRAM, HE WORKED AS A



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1 TRAFFIC SIGNAL ELECTRICIAN, THE OPERATIONAL DIVISION OF THE
2 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WHERE HE RESPONDED TO AND REPAIRED
3 MALFUNCTIONING TRAFFIC SIGNALS THROUGHOUT THE SOUTHWESTERN
4 PORTION OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. HE WAS AN ACTIVE MEMBER
5 IN HIS COMMUNITY WHERE HE SERVED ON THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE
6 COMPTON N.A.A.C.P. HE WILL BE FONDLY REMEMBERED FOR HIS CARING
7 AND GIVING SPIRIT AND A DEDICATED EMPLOYEE WHO HAD A TERRIFIC
8 SENSE OF HUMOR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER, MATTIE, HIS WIFE
9 MICHELLE, HIS DAUGHTER LAKIESHA AND A HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY
10 AND FRIENDS WHO WILL INDEED MISS HIM. AND WE TAKE THIS
11 OPPORTUNITY TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE FAMILY WHO IS PRESENT OF WILLIE
12 ROBERT MIDDLEBROOK, JR. MR. MIDDLEBROOK WAS BORN ON THE 11TH
13 OF AUGUST IN 1957 IN DETROIT, MICHIGAN. HE PASSED AWAY ON THE
14 FIFTH OF MAY AT THE AGE OF 54. HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AS
15 A CHILD AND STUDIED AT COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE, THE ART
16 CENTER, COLLEGE OF DESIGN AND THE COMMUNICATIVE ARTS ACADEMY.
17 HE'S REGARDED AS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CONTEMPORARY
18 PHOTOGRAPHERS OF RECENT TIMES AND ESPECIALLY KNOWN FOR HIS
19 PHOTOGRAPHIC PAINTINGS THAT HAVE BEEN EXHIBITED IN OVER 200
20 SOLO AND GROUP SHOWS AROUND THE UNITED STATES. HE CONTRIBUTED
21 GREATLY TO THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES'S PERMANENT CIVIC ARTS
22 COLLECTION WITH MURALS AT THE FLORENCE-FIRESTONE CONSTITUENT
23 SERVICE CENTER WHERE MRS. MOLINA AND I HAD A CHANCE TO MEET
24 WITH HIM. WE HAD OUR GRAND OPENING THERE AT THE METRO GREEN
25 LINE'S AVALON STATION. AND HIS LATEST AND LARGEST PUBLIC



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1 INSTALLATION, A SERIES OF 24 MOSAIC PANELS LOCATED AT THE
2 METRO EXPO LINE'S CRENSHAW STATION. HE ALSO INSPIRED A
3 GENERATION OF EMERGING ARTISTS THROUGH COURSES HE TAUGHT AT
4 COMPTON COMMUNITY COLLEGE. YOU WANT TO KNOW THAT HE IS
5 SURVIVED BY THREE BROTHERS, FIVE CHILDREN, JESSICA, AKILAH,
6 SRI RAS, MARTIN, AND WILLIE III, SEVEN GRANDCHILDREN AND A
7 HOST OF EXTENDED FAMILY MEMBERS AND FRIENDS WHO WILL INDEED
8 MISS HIM. AND WE GIVE OUR PARTICULAR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO OUR
9 FAMILY WHO'S HERE. AND WE ASK THAT SUPERVISOR MOLINA JOIN US
10 IN THAT ADJOURNING MOTION. AND, FINALLY, JOHN FRANKLIN GLASS,
11 BORN JANUARY 15, 1936 IN BERLIN, GERMANY. PASSED ON MAY THE
12 NINTH AT THE AGE OF 76. HE CAME TO NEW YORK WITH HIS FAMILY AT
13 A YOUNG AGE AND WAS RAISED IN CHICAGO. HE RELOCATED TO LOS
14 ANGELES IN THE EARLY '60S AND EARNED A PH.D. IN SOCIOLOGY FROM
15 U.C.L.A.. HE TAUGHT SOCIOLOGY AT CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE AND AT
16 THE CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL PSYCHOLOGY. FOR MANY
17 YEARS, HE RAN THE VOLUNTEER CENTER AT JUVENILE RESTITUTION
18 PROJECT LOCATED IN SAN FERNANDO VALLEY. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
19 WIFE JUDITH, HIS SON AARON, HIS BROTHER TOM AND HIS
20 GRANDDAUGHTER EVA-ELEANOR. A HOST OF MANY FRIENDS AND FAMILIES
21 WHO ARE ADVOCATES, LOVED HIM DEARLY. JOHN DISTINGUISHED
22 HIMSELF AS A PREMIER ADVOCATE FOR SINGLE- PAYER. MANY OF US
23 KNEW HIM AND CAME TO RESPECT HIM AND REGARD HIM AND HIS FAMILY
24 AT THIS TIME OF THEIR LOSS. THANK YOU, MR. PRESIDENT. MR.
25 CHAIRMAN.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
3 I HAVE SEVERAL ADJOURNING MOTIONS FIRST I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN
4 THE MEMORY OF BRENT ALEXANDER YIM WHO WAS BORN ON DECEMBER 10,
5 1979 IN COVINA TO HIS PARENTS ALEXANDER AND JANICE YIM. AS THE
6 MIDDLE CHILD AND THE ONLY SON, HE BROUGHT GREAT JOY AND PRIDE
7 TO THE YIM FAMILY. HE ATTENDED CALVARY CHAPEL BIBLE COLLEGE
8 THERE HE MET HIS WIFE ANDREA. THE TWO WERE EVENTUALLY MARRIED
9 AND ON FEBRUARY 27, 2007, BRENT AND ANDREA WELCOMED THEIR
10 FIRST SON, JAIDEN. THREE YEARS LATER ON FEBRUARY 1, 2010 BRENT
11 AND ANDREA WELCOMED THE BIRTH OF THEIR SECOND SON MICAH. BRENT
12 PROUDLY SERVED AS PASTOR OF TEMECULA COMMUNITY CHURCH IN
13 TEMECULA, CALIFORNIA. HE WAS THE SON OF CHIEF YIM, CHIEF
14 ALEXANDER YIM, LOS ANGELES SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WHO I BELIEVE
15 IS HERE AS PART OF THE GROUP THAT IS GOING TO TESTIFY UNDER
16 ITEM S-1. THE ENTIRE BOARD WANTS TO EXPRESS OUR CONDOLENCES ON
17 THE UNTIMELY PASSING OF YOUR SON AND KNOW THAT YOU'RE IN OUR
18 HEARTS AND PRAYERS. AND ALL OF US SHARE IN YOUR MOURNING AND
19 YOUR LOSS. ALSO ASK THAT WE ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF VIDAL
20 SASSOON, THE LEGENDARY FASHION STYLIST AND HAIR-CARE PRODUCT
21 DEVELOPER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84 HERE IN
22 LOS ANGELES. HE WAS BORN TO A POOR FAMILY IN LONDON'S EAST
23 END. OPENED HIS FIRST HAIR SALON IN 1954 AND DEVELOPED A
24 UNIQUE STYLE OF HAIRCUTTING THAT RELIED ON NATURAL SHAPE AND
25 BONE STRUCTURE TO CREATE STYLES, THAT REQUIRED LITTLE SPRAY OR



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1 COMBING THAT NATURALLY FELL INTO PROPER PLACE. HE OPENED A
2 SUCCESSFUL NEW YORK SALON AND BEGAN MARKETING A HIGHLY
3 SUCCESSFUL LINE OF HAIR PRODUCTS AND EVENTUALLY LAUNCHED A TV
4 TALK SHOW. MARRIED SEVERAL TIMES. HE'S SURVIVED OF HIS WIFE OF
5 SEVEN YEARS RHONDA AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. I ASK THAT WE
6 ADJOURN IN THE MEMORY OF NICHOLAS KATZENBACH FORMER JUSTICE
7 DEPARTMENT OFFICIAL IN THE KENNEDY ADMINISTRATION AND ATTORNEY
8 GENERAL AND UNDERSECRETARY OF STATE IN THE LYNDON JOHNSON
9 ADMINISTRATION WHO PASSED AWAY IN NEW JERSEY AT HIS HOME AT
10 THE AGE OF 90. DURING HIS SIX YEARS IN WASHINGTON, HE PLAYED A
11 CENTRAL ROLE IN SOME OF THE GREAT ISSUES OF THE TIME,
12 INCLUDING THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, THE STRUGGLE FOR CIVIL
13 RIGHTS AND DESEGREGATION OF SCHOOLS AND THE FOREIGN POLICY
14 DECISIONS DURING THE VIETNAM WAR. HE WAS PART OF THE GROUP
15 NAMED BY JOURNALISTS AND AUTHOR DAVID HALBERSTAM AS "THE BEST
16 AND BRIGHTEST." THE SON OF A NEW JERSEY ATTORNEY GENERAL, A
17 PRINCETON GRADUATE, RHODES SCHOLAR, YALE LAW SCHOOL AND
18 UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW PROFESSOR, AND WAR HERO IN WORLD WAR
19 II WHO SERVED AS A BOMBING NAVIGATOR AND HELD AS A GERMAN
20 P.O.W. AFTER HIS PLANE WAS SHOT DOWN. HE RETIRED FROM THE
21 GOVERNMENT IN 1968 FOLLOWING THE ELECTION OF RICHARD NIXON AND
22 JOINED I.B.M. AS SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT AND GENERAL COUNSEL AND
23 LEFT I.B.M. IN 1986 TO ENTER PRIVATE LAW PRACTICE. HE IS
24 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE LYDIA, TWO SONS CHRISTOPHER AND JOHN, TWO
25 DAUGHTERS, MIMI AND ANN DEBELLEVILLE KATZENBACH, AND SIX



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1 GRANDCHILDREN. ASK THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ON THAT ONE. AND
2 FINALLY, TWO MORE, WELL ONE MORE. JIM FITZGIBBON, A RESIDENT
3 OF THE VETERANS HOME OF CALIFORNIA ON THE WEST LOS ANGELES
4 V.A. CAMPUS, WHO BECAME THE FIRST VIETNAM VETERAN LIVING THERE
5 TO PASS AWAY. WHILE SERVING IN COMBAT, HE WAS EXPOSE TO THE
6 DEFOLIANT AGENT ORANGE AND CONSEQUENTLY STRUGGLED VALIANTLY
7 WITH A VARIETY OF AILMENTS AND HEALTH PROBLEMS IN THE
8 INTERVENING YEARS. A RECIPIENT OF THE PURPLE HEART FOR
9 INJURIES SUSTAINED IN COMBAT, HE WAS A MEMBER IN GOOD STANDING
10 OF THE AMERICAN LEGION HOLLYWOOD POST 43 AND INSPIRED BY HIS
11 COURAGE AND DETERMINATION, A VIETNAM VETERANS OF AMERICA POST
12 IN THE BRENTWOOD THAT IS BEING ESTABLISHED THAT WILL BE NAMED
13 IN HIS HONOR. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS DAUGHTER MEGAN CAENEPEEL,
14 TWO GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS MANY FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES. THOSE
15 ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
16 AND ALL MEMBERS ON BRENT ALEXANDER YIM. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. FIRST OF ALL, I'D ASK
19 THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME. WE FOUND OUT THIS MORNING THAT BRUCE
20 DUBOIS HUSBAND OF LAKEWOOD MAYOR AND COLLEAGUE ON M.T.A., HER
21 HUSBAND PASSED AWAY LAST NIGHT. BRUCE AND DIANE MET AT COMPTON
22 COLLEGE AND WERE MARRIED FOR 53 YEARS. HE TRULY LOVED THE CITY
23 OF LAKEWOOD AND IN HIS EARLY YEARS WAS A MEMBER OF THE
24 LAKEWOOD JAYCEES, MADE LIFELONG FRIENDS IN THE ORGANIZATION.
25 HE OFTEN SPOKE HOW BLESSED HE WAS TO HAVE THE KIDS AND THE



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1 FAMILY THAT HE HAD. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE DIANE, DAUGHTERS
2 JUDY AND SHERI, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN, BRIAN, KELLY, MATT AND
3 JEREMY. HE WILL BE MISSED BY ALL. AND ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT
4 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD PASHKO WHO PASSED AWAY
5 PEACEFULLY AT THE AGE OF 67 AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER.
6 HE WAS BORN IN THE BRONX BUT HE FELT LIKE A NATIVE CALIFORNIAN
7 HAVING LIVED IN ORANGE COUNTY SINCE 1957. ATTENDED JUNIOR AND
8 SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL IN GARDEN GROVE AND RETURNED THERE AND
9 LIVED FOR 25 YEARS. MANY FORMER STUDENTS RETURNED TO SEE MR.
10 PASHKO AND TELL HIM HOW MANY VALUABLE LIFE LESSONS. HE WAS
11 MARRIED TO A GOOD FRIEND OF OURS, HIS WIFE MARGARET, EXTREMELY
12 PROUD TO HAVE SERVED HIS COUNTRY DURING VIETNAM. SURVIVED BY
13 HIS LOVING WIFE OF 36 YEARS AND GOOD FRIEND MARGARET AND HIS
14 BROTHER ROBERT. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF TINA BOOTH WHO
15 PASSED AWAY ON MAY 6TH AT THE AGE OF 71. BORN IN ENGLAND.
16 IMMIGRATED WITH THE FAMILY TO THE U.S. IN HER EARLY TEENS AND
17 GRADUATED FROM LAGUNA BEACH HIGH SCHOOL. BECAME A U.S. CITIZEN
18 IN THE 1990S. HER FATHER JOHN WAS A TAILOR TO THE QUEEN'S
19 FAMILY IN THE 30S AND HER MOM WAS A DESIGNER OF HATS. SHE WAS
20 AN ACCOMPLISHED PAINTER, SKILLED AT MANY MEDIUMS INCLUDING
21 OILS AND AN ACRYLICS. HER ENGLISH SENSE OF HUMOR COULD ALWAYS
22 LIGHT UP A ROOM. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND CLARENCE,
23 DAUGHTER CORA, SON JOHN, TWO GRANDCHILDREN, JESSICA AND ELLIS,
24 AND SISTER JUDY. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF JOHN
25 GLENDINNING, A , LONGTIME RESIDENT OF CERRITOS WHO PASSED AWAY



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1 AT THE AGE OF 75, AN ARMY VETERAN, SERVED AS A LOS ANGELES
2 DEPUTY SHERIFF FOR 29 YEARS, GRADUATED AS THE OLDEST RECRUIT
3 IN HIS CLASS. HE RECEIVED A VALOR FOR BRAVERY AND DEVOTION TO
4 DUTY. RETIRED IN 1997. SURVIVED BY HIS BELOVED WIFE DONNA,
5 THEIR THREE CHILDREN, JOHN, KIM, MARK, FOUR GRANDCHILDREN. HIS
6 100-YEAR OLD MOTHER, ROBERTA, BROTHER RICH AND SISTER RIO.
7 FINALLY ALL MEMBERS THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF KENNETH
8 LEVENTHAL, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT AND LONGTIME U.S.C.
9 TRUSTEE, VERY ACTIVE IN THE CORPORATE COMMUNITY AND ARTS
10 PROGRAMS AND MUSEUMS. HE PASSED AWAY FROM NATURAL CAUSES AT
11 THE AGE OF 91. HE WAS THE FOUNDER OF KENNETH LEVENTHAL &
12 COMPANY WHICH EVENTUALLY MERGED WITH ERNST AND YOUNG. SERVED
13 ON A VARIETY OF REAL ESTATE BOARDS. GENEROUSLY DONATED TO MANY
14 ORGANIZATIONS. ALSO HAS A NAMESAKE, THE U.S.C. ELAINE AND
15 KENNETH LEVENTHAL SCHOOL OF ACCOUNTING. HE SERVED IN THE
16 UNITED STATES ARMY IN WORLD WAR II AND ATTENDED U.C.L.A. HE IS
17 SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ELAINE TWO SONS ROBERT AND ROSS, BROTHER
18 HENLEY, AND GRANDDAUGHTER EMMA. AND THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS ON KENNETH LEVENTHAL.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I HELD AN ITEM, I BELIEVE. THE OTHER ITEM WAS A
2 PUBLIC WORKS ITEM. ITEM 54.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE SEVERAL, TWO PEOPLE WHO
5 WISH TO BE HEARD. MICHAEL CORNELIUS AND NANCY MAHDAVI.

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7 **MICHAEL CORNELIUS:** FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO SAY THAT DEFAULT
8 FOR TERMINATION OF A.M.C. WOULD NOT BE IN THE BEST INTEREST OF
9 EITHER THE COUNTY OR THE TAXPAYER. AND THAT WE REQUEST THAT
10 THE BOARD OVERSEE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A REAL HEARING RELATED
11 TO THIS PROJECT AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE MOMENT. MY NAME IS
12 MICHAEL CORNELIUS, I'M A PROFESSIONAL CIVIL ENGINEER AND I'VE
13 BEEN INVOLVED WITH THE PROJECT FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. I
14 ADDRESSED THE BOARD LAST YEAR DURING THE DEPARTMENT'S FIRST
15 ATTEMPT TO TERMINATE THIS CONTRACTOR FOR DEFAULT. AND I
16 NOTIFIED THE FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION AND CALTRANS
17 REGARDING SOME OF THE PRACTICES THAT I HAVE DISCOVERED IN MY
18 PUBLIC RECORDS REVIEW OF THE COUNTY'S PROCESSES TO INCLUDE
19 PAYMENT TO NO-BID SUBCONTRACTORS THROUGH THE ISSUANCE OF BOGUS
20 CHANGE ORDERS ON OTHER PROJECTS. YOUR BOARD REQUESTED THAT AN
21 INDEPENDENT HEARING TAKE PLACE LAST TIME. AND INSTEAD OF AN
22 INDEPENDENT HEARING, WE HAD HEARING IN FRONT OF A DEPARTMENT
23 EMPLOYEE WHO RECOMMENDED A TERMINATION FOR CONVENIENCE. THE
24 BOARD ORDERED THAT THE PROJECT BE RE-NEGOTIATED AND RESTARTED.
25 TIME DOES NOT ALLOW ME TO ARTICULATE THE VARIOUS IMPROPRIETIES



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1 THAT OCCURRED ON THE RESTART OF THE PROJECT, BUT THEY HAVE
2 AGAIN LED TO A LACK OF PROPER PAYMENT AND THE RESULTANT
3 PROJECT SHUTDOWN. THE DEPARTMENT HAD ANOTHER HEARING AGAIN IN
4 FRONT OF THE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE MR. HOWARD AND MR. HOWARD
5 SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED THE REPORT THAT WAS ISSUED BY THE
6 CALTRANS F.H.W.A. INVESTIGATION. AND THE DEPARTMENT WOULD NOT
7 ALLOW HIM ACCESS TO IT TO REVIEW DURING THE HEARING. AS HE
8 STATED IN HIS REPORT, QUOTE, "DURING THE HEARING, THE HEARING
9 OFFICER REQUESTED A COPY OF THE CALTRANS REPORT FOR HIS REVIEW
10 AND THE RESPONSE FROM THE COUNTY WAS THAT THE REPORT IS
11 PROTECTED DOCUMENT AND NOT SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE. AS SUCH,
12 THIS DOCUMENT WAS NOT TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION BY THE HEARING
13 OFFICER." NOW, THE LAST HEARING WAS HELD ON APRIL 10TH AND IT
14 WENT FOR THE ENTIRE DAY. AT THE END OF THE DAY, IT WASN'T
15 FINISHED. A.M.C. HAD THEIR COUNSEL PRESENT. COUNTY HAD TWO
16 ATTORNEYS PRESENT IN THIS HEARING. THE NEXT MORNING A.M.C.'S
17 COUNSEL WAS GOING TO AFRICA ON A MISSION FOR TWO WEEKS AND
18 REQUESTED A CONTINUANCE DATE. THE HEARING OFFICER REFUSED AND
19 SAID THAT HE COULD SKYPE IN FROM AFRICA IF HE WANTED TO ATTEND
20 THIS HEARING. SO, YOU KNOW, THERE'S JUST A WHOLE LACK OF
21 TRANSPARENCY WITH THIS THING. THE PROJECT IS SUFFERING FROM A
22 VERY ENTRENCHED MANAGEMENT STYLE THAT IS NOT AFFECTING THE
23 BEST INTERESTS OF THIS COUNTY NOR THE TAXPAYERS. THANK YOU.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL LET THEM FINISH THEIR TESTIMONY, THEN I'LL.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO LET'S ASK MISS MAHDAVI?

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6 **NANCY MAHDAVI:** MY NAME IS NANCY. MY HUSBAND IS OSCAR MAHDAVI
7 WHO IS THE OWNER OF A.M. CLASSIC CONSTRUCTION THE CONTRACTOR
8 ON THE QUEENSWAY BRIDGE RETROFIT PROJECT. HE HAS BEEN
9 SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS IN THE LOS
10 ANGELES AREA FOR OVER 20 YEARS. I HAVE WORKED WITH HIM AS THE
11 OFFICE MANAGER FOR MUCH OF THIS TIME. I HAVE NEVER EXPERIENCED
12 THE TYPE OF MISMANAGEMENT AND DISHONESTY PUT FORTH BY L.A.
13 COUNTY D.P.W. EVER BEFORE. WE HAVE TRIED EVERY AVENUE
14 AVAILABLE TO US TO EXPOSE THESE ISSUES, INCLUDING SENDING
15 DOCUMENTATION TO YOUR BOARD AS WELL AS TO CALTRANS AND FEDERAL
16 HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION. WE CAME BEFORE YOU OVER A YEAR AGO IN
17 SIMILAR CIRCUMSTANCES. THE D.P.W. ASKED YOU TO TERMINATE OUR
18 COMPANY FOR DEFAULT. SUPERVISOR MOLINA ASKED THAT AN
19 INDEPENDENT SET OF EYES REVIEW OUR SITUATION. A NOT QUITE
20 INDEPENDENT D.P.W.-APPOINTED AN EMPLOYED HEARING OFFICER
21 REVIEWED THE SITUATION AND RECOMMENDED A.M. CLASSIC'S CONTRACT
22 BE TERMINATED FOR CONVENIENCE. SUPERVISOR KNABE ENCOURAGED YOU
23 ALL NOT TO ACCEPT THIS, SAYING IT WAS NOT IN THE COUNTY'S BEST
24 INTEREST BECAUSE HE THOUGHT IT WOULD BE-- IT WOULD DELAY THE
25 PROJECT'S COMPLETION. HE ASKED D.P.W. TO GO BACK AND NEGOTIATE



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1 WITH A.M. CLASSIC TO COMPLETE THE WORK. WE RELUCTANTLY DID
2 THAT, ALTHOUGH WE DOUBTED THE D.P.W.'S ABILITY TO PROCEED
3 FAIRLY. NOW ONE YEAR LATER WE ARE FACING DEFAULT AGAIN. THE
4 SAME HEARING OFFICER CONSTRAINED BY PARAMETERS DICTATED BY THE
5 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS HAS NOW RECOMMENDED OUR CONTRACT BE
6 TERMINATED FOR DEFAULT. THE PROJECT IS NOT MUCH CLOSER TO
7 COMPLETION THAN IT WAS LAST YEAR. THIS PROJECT HAS TAKEN A
8 HUGE TOLL ON OUR COMPANY FINANCIALLY AS WELL AS INFLICTED A
9 STRESS LEVEL WE HAVE NEVER BEFORE EXPERIENCED. MY HUSBAND HAS
10 BEEN SUFFERING FROM STRESS-RELATED PHYSICAL AND MENTAL
11 PROBLEMS AND OUR FAMILY LIFE AND LIVELIHOOD IS SEVERELY
12 AFFECTED. MY TWO TEENAGE SONS ARE WORRIED ABOUT THEIR FATHER
13 AND THEIR FUTURE. DUE TO HIS DOCTOR'S ADVICE, TO AVOID
14 STRESSFUL SITUATIONS, MY HUSBAND HAS BEEN UNABLE TO ATTEND
15 MEETINGS SINCE NOVEMBER 2011. PLEASE DO NOT TAKE THE D.P.W.'S
16 RECOMMENDATION TO DEFAULT AT FACE VALUE. I URGE YOU TO FORCE
17 THE D.P.W. TO SUBJECT THEMSELVES TO THE SCRUTINY OF A TRULY
18 INDEPENDENT OUTSIDE MEDIATOR. THANK YOU.

19
20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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22 **MICHAEL CORNELIUS:** THIS IS SOMETHING WE'VE BEEN TRYING TO DO
23 FOR SEVERAL, SEVERAL MONTHS.



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1 **SUP. KNABE:** MAY I COMMENT BEFORE I ASK STAFF TO GIVE A HISTORY
2 OF THIS? THIS PROJECT, AS MY COLLEAGUES KNOW, IS NOT NEW TO
3 US. THIS REALLY IMPACTS HARBOR'S SCENIC DRIVE WHICH IS A
4 CRITICAL VORTEX DOWN THERE AS IT RELATES TO THE PORT OF LONG
5 BEACH AND ACCESS TO LONG BEACH. NOT ONLY FROM A SEISMIC SAFETY
6 STANDPOINT BUT FROM THE PORT'S OPERATIONAL STANDPOINT, AS
7 WELL. SINCE THIS CONTRACT WAS FIRST AWARDED, WE'VE HAD NOTHING
8 BUT PROBLEMS. YOU HAVE BEEN BEFORE US BEFORE. WE TRIED TO WORK
9 WITH YOU. WE GOT ANOTHER HEARING BACK THIS PAST JULY AND GAVE
10 A SECOND CHANCE TO COMPLETE THE PROJECT. ONCE AGAIN AFTER
11 RAISING MULTIPLE DISPUTES WITH THE DEPARTMENT, AFTER THE
12 RESTART, THE CONTRACTOR ONCE AGAIN STOPPED WORK IN NOVEMBER.
13 THERE'S BEEN MULTIPLE OPPORTUNITIES TO CORRECT THEIR PROBLEMS
14 AND GET BACK TO WORK THEY NEVER DID. I AND OTHERS HAVE BEEN
15 LIVING THIS NIGHTMARE FOR OVER THREE YEARS AND I'M JUST SAYING
16 FROM MY PERSPECTIVE ENOUGH IS ENOUGH. THE CONTRACTOR WAS GIVEN
17 THE FORMAL HEARING. THEY DIDN'T AGREE WITH THE RESULTS. BUT
18 THE HEARING OFFICER DID SAY AND CONCLUDED THE COUNTY HAD
19 GROUNDS TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT. SO I WILL ASK STAFF TO SORT
20 OF GIVE EVERYONE A BRIEF HISTORY HERE, BUT I DON'T THINK -- WE
21 JUST NEED TO MOVE ON WITH THIS PROJECT, GET IT DONE. I DON'T
22 THINK WE HAVE ANY CHOICE BUT TO TERMINATE IT. I WOULD MOVE THE
23 ITEM ONCE THE DEPARTMENT.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S HEAR FROM THE STAFF.



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2 **WILLIAM WINTER:** OKAY, YES MY NAME IS WILLIAM WINTER. I'M A
3 DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. SUPERVISOR
4 KNABE'S RECOLLECTION IS CORRECT. WE WERE HERE PERHAPS MOST
5 RECENTLY ON JULY 5, 2011, WHEN YOUR BOARD APPROVED A CHANGE
6 ORDER THAT ALLOWED THE CONTRACTOR TO RESUME WORK ON THE
7 PROJECT. THE CONTRACTOR WAS THEN GIVEN A NOTICE TO PROCEED.
8 LATER IN 2011, IN SEPTEMBER 2011, BEGAN DRIVING PILES. SHORTLY
9 THEREAFTER HAD STOPPED DRIVING PILES. THAT WAS IN NOVEMBER OF
10 2011 WHEN THE CONTRACTOR ABANDONED THE PROJECT SITE. WE MADE
11 MULTIPLE ATTEMPTS TO CURE THAT ABANDONMENT. WE NOTIFIED THE
12 CONTRACTOR TO CURE THAT ABANDONMENT. LEAPING FORWARD, WE DID
13 CONDUCT ANOTHER HEARING AS THE SPEAKERS HAVE MENTIONED. IT WAS
14 AN INFORMAL HEARING. AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF GATHERING FACTS
15 ASSOCIATED WITH THE ABANDONMENT POST NOVEMBER 2011. THAT
16 HEARING WAS CONDUCTED BY AN ASSISTANT DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS WHO HAS NO ASSOCIATION WITH THE
18 PROJECT, WITH THE DAY-TO-DAY GOINGS-ON OF THE PROJECT. AND
19 WHAT YOU HAVE ATTACHED TO THE ITEM TODAY IS THE HEARING
20 OFFICER'S REPORT THAT STATES HIS FACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THAT
21 FACT-FINDING HEARING. AND IS OUR RECOMMENDATION OF THE
22 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS TO FIND A CONTRACTOR IN DEFAULT SO
23 THAT WE CAN THEN MOVE FORWARD IN TALKING TO THE PROJECT SURETY
24 TO ASSUME THE ROLE OF COMPLETING THIS PROJECT.

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1 **MICHAEL CORNELIUS:** HAS THE BOARD SEEN THE CALTRANS REPORT?

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3 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SIR, YOU ARE OUT OF ORDER.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** WE'VE SEEN EVERYTHING. ON MULTIPLE OCCASIONS.

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7 **MICHAEL CORNELIUS:** YOU'VE SEEN THE CALTRANS INVESTIGATIVE
8 REPORT?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. IS THERE ANY OTHER
11 DISCUSSION?

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13 **SUP. KNABE:** I MOVE THE ITEM.

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THERE'S A MOTION TO APPROVE THE
16 ITEM. SECOND BY MOLINA. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE. ALL
17 RIGHT. NEXT ITEM. IS THAT ALL WHO YOU HAVE, DON?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** YES.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. ANTONOVICH? ANY ADJOURNING
22 MOTIONS?

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** I'D LIKE TO MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
25 DR. RICHARD EARL ANDERSON, HE WAS A PRIVATE PHYSICIAN IN



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1 BURBANK FROM 1959 TO 1994. HE WAS THE CHIEF OF STAFF AT
2 PROVIDENCE ST. JOSEPH'S MEDICAL CENTER AND A WORLD WAR II
3 VETERAN WITH THE UNITED STATES NAVY. FEDERAL JUDGE ROBERT
4 BEEZER, SERVED AS SENIOR JUSTICE ON THE NINTH U.S. CIRCUIT
5 COURT OF APPEALS. HE PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 83. HE WAS
6 FIRST APPOINTED BY PRESIDENT RONALD REAGAN IN 1984. HE WORKED
7 AS A JUDGE PRO TEM IN THE SEATTLE MUNICIPAL COURT AND SERVED
8 TWO YEARS AS AN OFFICER WITH THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS.
9 GOOD FRIEND ROBERT "BOB" JOHNSON PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 25TH AT
10 THE AGE OF 89. HE WAS THE DIRECTOR OF THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES
11 MEMBER. SERVED OVER 40 YEARS IN THE U.S. NAVY AND RETIRED WITH
12 THE RANK OF CAPTAIN. HE HELD A BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION DEGREE
13 FROM U.S.C., WAS PRESIDENT IN THE MILTON C. POWELL FIRM. I HAD
14 THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH BOB FOR THE ROSE PARADES FOR A
15 NUMBER OF YEARS. HE WAS QUITE ACTIVE IN HIS CHURCH IN
16 PASADENA. KEN LEVENTHAL HAS ALREADY BEEN MENTIONED, THE
17 ACCOUNTANT WHO PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 90 AND HE WAS QUITE
18 INVOLVED IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. MICHAEL MALOOF PASSED
19 AWAY ON APRIL 25TH. HE WAS RETIRED FROM KTLA CHANNEL 5 AFTER
20 41 YEARS OF SERVICE. SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE FRIEDA AND THEIR
21 THREE CHILDREN. HE WAS A NEIGHBOR OF MINE IN MY OLD
22 NEIGHBORHOOD. RAY MCCULLOUGH PASSED AWAY APRIL 16TH. HE WAS
23 RANKED ONE OF THE TOP ATTORNEYS IN CALIFORNIA. HE WAS A MEMBER
24 OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM AND
25 ALSO FOUND THE RESEARCH BOARD AT THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL LOS



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1 ANGELES. CARROLL SHELBY, RACE CAR DESIGNER FOR THE FORD
2 MUSTANG AND THE DODGE VIPER. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE 89. HE WAS
3 REMEMBERED FOR HIS SHELBY SPORTS COBRA SPORTS CAR THAT BECAME
4 AN AUTOMOTIVE CULTURAL ICON. HE WAS ALSO A RACE CAR DRIVER,
5 RACE TEAM OWNER AND AUTOMOTIVE CONSULTANT AND MEMBER OF THE
6 ARMY AIR CORPS INSTRUCTOR, FLIGHT INSTRUCTOR DURING WORLD WAR
7 II. ARLIE WINDLE, DEPUTY SHERIFF, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
8 74. GREGORY WOODRUFF, DEPUTY SHERIFF, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
9 OF 69. DANA RICKMAN, RETIRED CAPTAIN LOS ANGELES COUNTY FIRE
10 DEPARTMENT. WHEN HE RETIRED IN 2010. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF
11 58. LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. MARVIN ANTHONY
12 PETERSON, HE HAD A LONG CAREER IN PRACTICING WORKER'S
13 COMPENSATION LAW IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AND ALSO SERVED IN THE
14 UNITED STATES NAVY. MICHAEL THOMAS KENNEDY. HE WORKED FOR THE
15 CITY OF PASADENA FOR OVER 40 YEARS. HE'S A BROTHER TO JOHN AND
16 HE PASSED AWAY MAY 9TH. MOSES JACOBSON PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
17 OF 104. LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ANTELOPE VALLEY. LEADER IN JEWISH
18 TEMPLE IN ANTELOPE VALLEY. YVONNE JOYCE ALTEMEIER, PASSED AWAY
19 AT THE AGE OF 73 ON APRIL 27TH. AND MELVIN KINNISON RETIRED
20 DEPUTY SHERIFF LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, PASSED
21 AWAY AT THE AGE OF 71. AND HOBART ROBERTSON, GRADUATED U.S.C.
22 IN CIVIL ENGINEER. BEGAN A 30-YEAR CAREER IN THE BUREAU OF
23 PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND BECAME CHIEF ENGINEER OF THE CONSTRUCTION
24 DIVISION. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS AND HIS SISTER. THOSE ARE
25 MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS VOTE.
3 ARE YOU HOLDING ANYTHING? I THINK YOU'RE HOLDING 25 AND 26,
4 RIGHT? WHO IS? MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC? WHY DON'T WE TAKE THAT
5 UP? ITEM 25 AND 26, WE HAVE SEVERAL PEOPLE, I'LL CALL YOU
6 DOWN. CAM NOLTMAYER, DAVID LUTNESS, LYNN PLAMBECK AND ARNOLD
7 SACHS. MR. KNABE?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** WHILE THEY'RE COMING UP, I HAD JUST ONE MOTION
10 THAT I WAS GOING TO READ IN. AND "THERE'S PENDING LEGISLATION
11 IN THE UNITED STATES SENATE THAT WOULD DESIGNATE RANCHO LOS
12 AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER AS A FEDERAL
13 REHABILITATION INNOVATION CENTER. THIS IS VERY, VERY
14 SIGNIFICANT BECAUSE IT COULD GENERATE MUCH NEEDED ADDITIONAL
15 REVENUE FOR RESEARCH. I WOULD MOVE THIS BOARD SUPPORT FEDERAL
16 LEGISLATION WHICH WOULD DESIGNATE RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL
17 REHABILITATION CENTER AS A REHABILITATION INNOVATION CENTER
18 AND INSTRUCT OUR C.E.O. TO NOTIFY OUR COUNTY'S LOBBYIST IN
19 WASHINGTON AND THE LEGISLATIVE DELEGATION OF OUR SUPPORT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** FOR NEXT WEEK? OKAY. CYNTHIA
22 HAZARD, IS SHE HERE? WHY DON'T YOU COME DOWN? YOU CAN TESTIFY,
23 AS WELL. MS. NOLTMAYER?

24

25 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** CAM NOLTEMEYER.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YES. CAM, RIGHT?

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4 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** YES, CORRECT.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU'RE ON.

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8 **CAM NOLTEMEYER:** SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF SCOPE WITH REGARD TO
9 MISSION VILLAGE. THIS HAS SIGNIFICANT BUT UNAVOIDABLE EFFECTS
10 ON VISUAL QUALITY, AIR QUALITY, SOLID WASTE SERVICE AND
11 AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES. IN OTHER WORDS, OVERRIDING
12 CONSIDERATIONS. IT HAS 351 SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES, 3,704 MULTI-
13 FAMILY HOMES. THERE ARE SEVERAL MAJOR ISSUES. AIR QUALITY
14 UNDER THE GENERAL PLAN HAS BEEN JUMPED FROM SEVERE TO EXTREME
15 QUALITY IN THIS AREA. CERTAINLY THIS PROJECT WILL NOT HELP
16 THAT PROBLEM. THE OTHER SOLID WASTE ISSUE CREATES A HUGE
17 PROBLEM WITH THE CHLORIDE ISSUE, OR SALT ISSUE, WHICH NEEDS TO
18 BE REMOVED AND NOTHING HAS BEEN DONE HERE BUT TO TRY AND PLACE
19 THAT PROBLEM DIRECTLY ON THE OTHER RATE PAYERS IN THE AREA BY
20 PUTTING IT ONTO OUR SANITATION DISTRICT, WHICH DOES NOT REMOVE
21 SALTS. I ALSO HAVE A BIG PROBLEM WITH THE HUGE OIL WELLS ON
22 THIS PROPERTY. AND I ALSO HAVE SOMETHING HERE TO SUBMIT. IT'S
23 FROM THE -- WITH REGARD TO SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY,
24 SEMPER ENERGIZER AND TEXACO OIL THAT OPERATED IN THIS AREA.
25 AND THEY ARE OPERATING TWO EXISTING BRINE INJECTION WELLS IN



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1 THE AREA. YOUR PROPOSAL BUY THE COUNTY FOR THE CHLORITE ISSUE
2 IN OUR SANITATION DISTRICT WAS TO TAKE THE SALT AND PUT IT
3 DOWN INTO OIL WELLS. THIS IS VERY OBJECTIONABLE. THIS ACTUAL
4 GAS COMPANY IS TRYING TO EXPAND, ACTUALLY DOUBLE WHAT THEY ARE
5 DOING, WHICH WILL AGAIN PUT ADDITIONAL SALT WATER BRINE LINE
6 INJECTION WELLS INTO THIS AREA. AND THIS HAS TO BE LOOKED AT
7 BY THE COUNTY BECAUSE WHEN THEY ASKED FOR THEIR EXPANSION, AND
8 TO BUILD ADDITIONAL OF THESE SALT WELLS, THEY SAID THEY WERE
9 EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT BECAUSE
10 IT WAS ONLY "MINOR" THINGS THAT THEY WERE DOING. IT'S HARDLY
11 MINOR WHEN THEY'RE PRACTICALLY DOUBLING WHAT THEY'RE DOING AND
12 STORING THE GAS UNDER THIS AREA, WHICH IS ACTUALLY, BY NEWHALL
13 RANCH ROAD AND INTERSTATE 5. NOW, THIS AREA IS IN ADDITION TO
14 ALL THE OIL WELLS ACTUALLY ON THIS SITE THAT HAVE BEEN NOT
15 PROPERLY ADDRESSED. SO WE HAVE VERY SERIOUS CONCERNS ABOUT YOU
16 GOING FORWARD WITH THIS PROJECT JUST AS WE HAD WITH THE FIRST
17 PROJECT THAT YOU APPROVED. AND WE FEEL THAT IT SHOULD BE
18 DENIED.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. DAVID LUTNESS?

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22 **DAVID LUTNESS:** THANK YOU, MY NAME IS DAVID LUTNESS. I'M A
23 RESIDENT OF SANTA CLARITA AND AN OFFICER OF SCOPE. AND I'M
24 SPEAKING ON MYSELF ON BEHALF OF MYSELF TODAY. I WOULD LIKE TO
25 SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS CONCERNING THE



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1 DEVELOPMENT AND MONITORING SYSTEM. IT'S COME TO MY ATTENTION
2 THAT IT WAS NOT PROPERLY APPLIED TO THIS PROJECT. AND I WOULD
3 LIKE TO SUBMIT THIS LETTER. THANK YOU, SIR. THANK YOU VERY
4 MUCH. AND I TOO OPPOSE THIS PROJECT. A COUPLE OF THINGS: I
5 DON'T THINK IT ADEQUATELY ADDRESSES THE FRAGILITY OF THE
6 RIVER, WHICH IS THE LAST FREE RIVER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. I
7 DON'T THINK THAT IT ADDRESSES THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT FOR AN
8 ANECDOTE. I HAD A FRIEND OF MINE TREATED FOR CANCER IN SANTA
9 CLARITA FROM A DOCTOR, A VERY GOOD ONCOLOGIST THAT LIVED IN
10 SANTA BARBARA, AND SHE ASKED THE DOCTOR "WHY DO YOU GO TO
11 SANTA CLARITA TO PRACTICE IF YOU LIVE IN SANTA BARBARA?" AND
12 THE ANSWER WAS "THAT'S WHERE THE CANCER IS." SO THERE ARE
13 PROBLEMS: ASTHMA, CANCER, MANY OTHER PROBLEMS THAT WE SUFFER
14 IN SANTA CLARITA. AND THESE ARE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS. AND
15 THEY ARE CONSTANTLY IGNORED WHEN DEVELOPMENT COMES UP. THERE
16 WAS A LETTER THAT THE PRESIDENT OF NEWHALL RANCH SENT YOU THAT
17 HAD SEVERAL THINGS IN THERE THAT I HAVE ISSUE WITH. BUT THE
18 ONE THAT WAS MOST OBJECTIONABLE TO ME WAS THE STATEMENT THAT
19 THERE WOULD BE NO TAXPAYER BURDEN TO THE PER- CHLORATE BECAUSE
20 THAT WOULD BE PAID FOR BY THE WHAT WAS THE NAME OF THE--
21 WHITTAKER-BURMITE PROPERTY OWNERS. AND THIS STRUCK ME AS VERY
22 AN AMUSING COMING FROM NEWHALL LAND, BECAUSE THEY KNOW HAVING
23 GONE THROUGH BANKRUPTCY THAT THEY HAVE ALREADY COST THE
24 TAXPAYERS OF CALIFORNIA MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN LOSSES TO
25 CALPERS WHICH THEY MANIPULATED AND ESCAPED THROUGH BANKRUPTCY.



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1 AND I DON'T THINK THEY SHOULD BE GIVEN ANY PERMITS TO GO
2 FORWARD UNTIL THEY PAY THAT MONEY BACK. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. LYNN PLAMBECK? YOU ALSO
5 SIGNED UP ON ITEM 74, SO IF YOU WANT TO ADDRESS BOTH OF THEM.

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7 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** OKAY. THIS IS GOING TO CUT MY TIME FOR THIS-

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9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I CAN'T HEAR YOU.

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11 **LYNN PLAMBECK:** IF IT WILL CUT MY TIME FOR THIS, I WILL
12 RELINQUISH THAT. ANYWAY, I WANT TO TURN IN CORRESPONDENCE FROM
13 THE FOREST PRESERVATION COMMITTEE. THEY EMAILED YOU BUT THEY
14 ASKED ME TO TURN IT IN TO MAKE SURE YOU RECEIVED IT. YOU KNOW,
15 MISSION VILLAGE IS NOT IN VALENCIA WATER COMPANY. IT NEEDS TO
16 BE ANNEXED, WHICH WILL REQUIRE A PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION
17 APPROVAL. AND IN THE PAST, WHEN A PROJECT IS NOT IN A WATER
18 DISTRICT, THERE'S ALWAYS BEEN A CONDITION ON THE TRACK MAPS
19 THAT IT BE -- THAT THE APPROVAL, THAT IT BE ANNEXED PRIOR TO
20 BUILDING PERMIT. THERE'S NO CONDITION LIKE THAT. AND I'M
21 WONDERING WHAT'S GOING ON HERE. PERHAPS SOMEBODY'S
22 MISREPRESENTED ARE THAT IT WAS IN A WATER DISTRICT WHEN IT
23 WASN'T. I'D JUST LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR MOLINA FOR VOTING NO
24 ON THIS, PARTICULARLY BECAUSE OF A SUBJECT THAT'S NEAR AND
25 DEAR TO HER HEART, THE MATTER OF LIBRARIES WAS NOT ANALYZED



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1 UNDER THE DEVELOPMENT MONITORING SYSTEM AMONG OTHER THINGS.
2 AND SO I THINK THAT THAT'S SOMETHING REALLY IMPORTANT. AND I
3 WAS GLAD TO SEE HER VOTE NO ON THAT. THERE NEEDS TO BE, AS
4 YOU'RE WELL AWARE, THE D.M.S. IS A COUNTY PLAN AMENDMENT, AND
5 THIS PROJECT NEEDS TO BE CONSISTENT WITH IT AND IT WAS NOT. WE
6 WON SOME LEGAL BATTLES ON THAT BEFORE ENSURING LIBRARY FEES,
7 WHICH SUPERVISOR MOLINA HELPED TO INSTITUTE AT A LATER DATE,
8 AND ADEQUATE SCHOOL FUNDING. SO WE THINK THAT THAT ANALYSIS
9 WAS NOT PROPERLY DONE FOR WATER SUPPLY AND FOR SEWAGE. AND
10 WE'VE BROUGHT THE SEWAGE ISSUE TO YOUR ATTENTION. AGAIN, MR.
11 ANTONOVICH, I SEE THAT YOU DID REQUIRE THAT THE FACILITY BE
12 PAID FOR BY NEWHALL LAND AND FARMING; HOWEVER, AS WE BROUGHT
13 UP BEFORE THE CONDITION OF APPROVAL NOT A MITIGATION MEASURE
14 AND COULD BE CHANGED BY THIS BOARD AT ANY TIME IN THE FUTURE,
15 WHICH YOU ALREADY CHANGED THE SPECIFIC PLAN. SO OBVIOUSLY THIS
16 COULD BE CHANGED, TOO. SO IT'S NOT REALLY A VERY ADEQUATE
17 MITIGATION MEASURE, NOT COMPLETELY ADEQUATE. AND AS MISS
18 NOLTEMeyer WAS SAYING, BECAUSE THEY COMBINED THE SANITATION
19 DISTRICTS, THAT MEANS THE OPERATION, THE O&M COSTS, OPERATION
20 AND MAINTENANCE, FOR THAT FACILITY WILL BE BORNE BY ALL THE
21 RESIDENTS OF SANTA CLARITA, EVEN THOUGH THEY'LL BE PAYING FOR
22 THE FACILITY ITSELF. YOU KNOW, THIS PROJECT HAS GOT A LOT OF
23 OIL WELLS ON IT, WHICH IS THE RESIDENTIAL AREA'S GOING TO BE
24 BUILT RIGHT OVER THE OIL WELLS AS FAR AS WE CAN TELL. AND ALL
25 YOU EVER DID WAS A PHASE 1 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT. YOU



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1 DIDN'T DO SOIL SAMPLES OR ANY OF THAT. AND I JUST THOUGHT IT
2 WAS SO ODD THAT IN THIS TIME WITH ALL THIS CONCERN OVER
3 FRACKING, THERE'S NO DISCUSSION OF WHETHER THERE WAS FRACKING
4 AT THIS SITE AND THERE WAS NO PHASE 2 ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. CYNTHIA HAZARD? HANG ON
7 A SECOND CYNTHIA. IS ROBIN HAZARD HERE? WHY DON'T YOU COME
8 DOWN. MS. HAZARD, GO AHEAD. CYNTHIA? GO AHEAD.

9

10 **CYNTHIA HAZARD:** THREE QUARTERS, THREE QUARTERS OF OUR WATER
11 COMES FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. OUR WATERSHED IN SANTA CLARITA
12 SUPPLIES FOUR WATER DISTRICTS. THEY TAKE OVER HALF OF OUR
13 WATERSHED TO USE TO SUPPLY THE PEOPLE THAT EXIST THERE NOW.
14 THERE'S A NEW GENERATION COMING UP. YOU HEAR THE WORD "GREEN".
15 YOU HEAR THE WORD "SUSTAINABILITY". SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA IS SO
16 DEPENDENT UPON THE NORTH FOR WATER. WE GIVE NOTHING BACK TO
17 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA. MONEY DOESN'T WORK. THE FARMERS UP THERE
18 ARE CRYING BECAUSE WE TAKE THEIR WATER. THE NEWHALL RANCH
19 PROJECT IS GOING TO DEMAND MORE WATER. IT'S GOING TO DEMAND
20 MORE ENERGY. IT'S GOING TO DEMAND MORE NATURAL GAS. WE TAKE A
21 PERCENTAGE, QUITE A BIT OF THAT, FROM THE NORTH. AND MOVEMENT
22 OF WATER. WE CAN'T SAY THAT WE ARE A GREEN STATE OR BEING
23 SUSTAINABILITY WISE AS THEY'RE SAYING TO DO RIGHT NOW IN
24 CONSERVING YOUR WATER, IN CONSERVING EVERYTHING THAT YOU HAVE.
25 WHEN YOU BUILD NEW HOMES, THAT'S NOT CONSERVING. THAT'S NOT



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1 BEING SUSTAINABLE. YOU NEED TO WORK WITH WHAT YOU HAVE. SANTA
2 BARBARA HAS CAPPED THEIR GROWTH. WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH L.A.
3 COUNTY? WE NEED TO CHANGE OUR MINDSET. STOP THINKING OF QUICK
4 MONEY IN THE POCKET AND THINK ABOUT OUR FUTURE AND OUR FUTURE
5 GENERATIONS. MY DAUGHTER IS MINORING IN SUSTAINABILITY. SHE'S
6 MAJORING IN ANTHROPOLOGY. WE'VE BEEN FIGHTING THIS IN SANTA
7 CLARITA SINCE THE '80S. MY DAUGHTER CAME TO ME AND ASKED ABOUT
8 OUR WATERSHED AND I TOLD HER IT'S THE NEWHALL WATERSHED. SHE
9 GOT INVOLVED. AND SO I PASS THE BATON ON TO THE NEXT
10 GENERATION. AND WE'RE STILL AROUND, THE OLD GENERATION.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE'RE READY TO HEAR FROM THE NEXT
13 GENERATION. ROBIN HAZARD.

14

15 **ROBIN HAZARD:** FOR A SCHOOL PROJECT, I WAS TOLD TO STATE WHICH
16 WATERSHED I LIVE IN AS WELL AS EXPLAIN ITS IMPORTANCE.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ROBIN, YOU CAN MOVE THE MIC IN
19 FRONT OF YOUR MOUTH. WE'RE HAVING TROUBLES WITH THE MICS
20 TODAY.

21

22 **ROBIN HAZARD:** FOR A SCHOOL PROJECT I WAS TOLD TO STATE WHICH
23 WATERSHED I LIVED IN AS WELL AS EXPLAIN ITS IMPORTANCE. UPON
24 ASKING THE FOUR WATER COMPANIES WITHIN THE SANTA CLARITA
25 VALLEY COMPANIES WHERE THEY RETRIEVE THE MAJORITY OF THEIR



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1 WATER, ALL FOUR OF THEM COMPLAINED MORE THAN HALF THE WATER
2 THEY DISTRIBUTE TO THE RESIDENTS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY
3 COME FROM THE SANTA CLARA WATERSHED. WATERSHED. IT CANNOT BE
4 EMPHASIZED ENOUGH. WITH 3/4 OF CALIFORNIA'S WATER SUPPLY IN
5 THE NORTH AND 3/4 OF THE POPULATION IN THE SOUTH WE NEED TO
6 SET OUR PRIORITIES. AS SOUTHERN CALIFORNIANS, WE NEED TO HOLD
7 OUR LOCAL WATER SUPPLIES AND TREAT THEM AS PRECIOUS RESOURCE
8 THAT THEY ARE. WATER SOURCES SHOULD NOT BE DEPLETED OR
9 DEGRADED. WE NEED TO EQUATE THE PROTECTION OF OUR WATERSHED
10 WITH THE PROTECTION OF OUR DRINKING WATER. AS THE DEMAND FOR
11 WATER INCREASES, SO, TOO, WILL COSTS. OUR ALREADY OVER PUMPED
12 AQUIFERS CANNOT MEET THE DEMANDS OF THE PROJECTED GROWTH OF
13 SANTA CLARITA AND THE SURROUNDING AREAS. CALIFORNIA USES 20
14 PERCENT OF ITS ELECTRICITY AND 30 PERCENT OF ITS NATURAL GAS
15 IN MOVING WATER FROM NORTHERN CALIFORNIA TO SOUTHERN
16 CALIFORNIA. THIS IMMENSE ENERGY WILL CONTINUE TO INCREASE IF
17 LOS ANGELES AND OTHER AREAS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PERSIST
18 WITH URBAN SPRAWL. THIS HOUSING DEVELOPMENT IS THE LARGEST
19 EVER CONTEMPLATED IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA. SANTA CLARITA'S
20 WELL KNOWN FOR ITS FORECLOSURES. AND IN MARCH 2011, THERE WERE
21 468 FORECLOSED HOMES IN THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEY, 1 IN EVERY
22 164 HOMES. CONSTRUCTING A MASSIVE NEW DEVELOPMENT DURING AN
23 ECONOMIC CRISIS IS A DANGEROUS IDEA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT ITSELF
24 AS WELL AS THE TAXPAYERS OF CALIFORNIA. THE HOUSING
25 DEVELOPMENT ITSELF HAS ALREADY COST THE STATE MONEY WITHOUT



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1 HAVING BUILT A SINGLE HOUSE. THE NEWHALL RANCH HOUSING
2 DEVELOPMENT WILL ALSO BE CONTRIBUTING TO THE LEADING CAUSE OF
3 WATER DEPLETION IN THE UNITED STATES, NONPOINT SOURCE
4 POLLUTION OR N.P.S. N.P.S. IS A LONG-RANGE TRANSPORT OF
5 POLLUTANTS BY RAINFALL EVENTUALLY DRAINING INTO A BODY OF
6 WATER. THE SOURCE OF THIS POLLUTION IS NOT FROM ONE POINT BUT
7 MANY. NONPOINT SOURCE POLLUTION IS DIFFICULT TO REGULATE FOR
8 IT ARISES FROM NUMEROUS AND DIVERSE SOURCES. BUT THE LEADING
9 CAUSE OF THIS POLLUTION IS FROM URBAN RUNOFF. BUILDING A CITY
10 ON TOP OF THE LAST FREE FLOWING RIVER IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
11 WILL SECRETE AN IMMENSE AMOUNT OF POLLUTANTS THROUGH OUR
12 DRINKING WATER AND ONWARD TO THE OCEAN. LOCAL GOVERNMENTS ARE
13 RESPONSIBLE FOR THE N.P.S. REGULATIONS AND WE MUST TAKE A
14 STAND AGAINST WATER POLLUTION AND SCARCITY. ENCASING OUR
15 RIVERS LEADS TO AN INCREASE IN URBAN RUNOFF AS WELL AS IN
16 INCREASE IN WATER POLLUTION. AS WE REALIZE THE VALUE OUR LOCAL
17 WATER SOURCE, WE MUST STOP ANYTHING THAT WILL DAMAGE ITS
18 QUALITY AND QUANTITY. NOT ONLY WILL WATER QUALITY AND QUANTITY
19 DEplete BUT OUR AIR QUALITY WILL DEplete AS WELL. THE SANTA
20 CLARITA VALLEY JUST LIKE THE SAN FERNANDO AND SAN GABRIEL
21 VALLEYS ARE VERY SUSCEPTIBLE TO SMOG AND AIR POLLUTION. THIS
22 IS DUE TO THE INVERSION AREA THAT CAUSES THE AIR AND SMOG TO
23 STAY IN PLACE. THE INCREASE IN CARBON MONOXIDE AND OTHER URBAN
24 POLLUTANTS CAUSED BY THE NEWHALL RANCH HOUSING DEVELOPMENT



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1 WILL ONLY INCREASE SANTA CLARITA'S ALREADY SWELLING AIR
2 POLLUTION. THANK YOU.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD JOB. THIS GOES TO SHOW YOU
5 YOU CAN SAY A LOT IN THREE MINUTES WHEN YOU'RE PREPARED. THANK
6 YOU VERY MUCH. MR. SACHS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. I
9 DID HOLD THIS ITEM. I WAS GOING TO ASK ABOUT TRANSIT-ORIENTED
10 DEVELOPMENT BECAUSE THAT SEEMS TO BE A BIG ROLE OF METRO. BIKE
11 ROUTES.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS. YOU STICK TO THE
14 SUBJECT. YOU ASKED TO BE HEARD ON 25 AND 26. THAT'S WHAT
15 YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SPEAK ON?

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS IS A DEVELOPMENT, ISN'T IT, SIR? THIS IS A
18 LAND DEVELOPMENT.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** STICK TO THE SUBJECT, THANK YOU.

21

22 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THIS IS A LAND DEVELOPMENT AND I'M TALKING ABOUT
23 TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT AS PART OF METRO'S PLAN. YOU'RE
24 GOING TO PUT IN 4,100 FAMILY UNITS. YOU HAVE ONE BUS TRANSIT
25 LOT. STICK TO THE SUBJECT. YOU GO TO METRO, YOU TALK ABOUT



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1 TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT, I'M INTERESTED IN FINDING OUT
2 WHAT TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT IS INCLUDED IN THIS PLAN.
3 THEN I HAVE SOME PEOPLE COME UP HERE AND START TALKING ABOUT
4 THE FACT THAT THIS IS PROPERTY THAT HAS OIL WELLS ON IT. SO
5 I'M THINKING: OIL WELLS? AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A FIRE
6 STATION AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A LIBRARY. AND YOU'RE GOING
7 TO HAVE SCHOOLS. AND YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE COMMERCIAL
8 DEVELOPMENT OVER AN OIL FIELD. WELL, I DON'T KNOW, MAYBE YOU
9 HAVEN'T GONE TO ONE OF THOSE METRO MEETINGS LATELY WHERE THEY
10 HAVE TALKED IN BEVERLY HILLS ABOUT THEIR CONCERNS ABOUT
11 DRILLING UNDER THE HIGH SCHOOL BECAUSE IT'S AN ACTIVE OIL
12 WELL? AND YET YOU'RE GOING TO TURN AROUND AND AUTHORIZE THE
13 BUILDING OF SCHOOLS, LIBRARIES, AND FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND
14 COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENTS OVER AN ACTIVE OIL WELL FIELD. MAKES
15 SENSE TO ME. THIS IS JUST PENSION-DRIVEN TO MAINTAIN AN
16 ADEQUATE RETURN ON INVESTMENTS. AND THE FACT THAT YOU SAY SO,
17 WELL, THAT'S ALL EVERYBODY NEEDS TO KNOW. BUT AGAIN BACK TO
18 THE POINT. WHY ARE YOU HAVING ON ONE HAND THESE DEVELOPMENT
19 LIKE THIS WITH THE SCHOOLS AND THE FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE
20 LIBRARIES OVER A KNOWN OIL FIELD? AND ON THE OTHER HAND, THESE
21 PEOPLE IN BEVERLY HILLS ARE COMPLAINING BECAUSE THE SUBWAY'S
22 GOING TO BE DRILLED UNDER THE HIGH SCHOOL AND THERE ARE
23 CONCERNS ABOUT MAYBE YOU MIGHT HAVE SEEN THAT VIDEO WHERE THEY
24 CREATED THIS HUGE DISASTER? WELL, CAN YOU --

25



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU ARE OFF THE SUBJECT. SO I'M
2 GOING TO WARN YOU ONE LAST TIME. ARNOLD, FOLLOW THE RULES.

3

4 **ARNOLD SACHS:** OH, PLEASE, FOLLOW THE RULES.

5

6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME'S UP. LET'S GO ON. MR.
7 ANTONOVICH?

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9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** FIRST IF WE COULD HAVE THE DEPARTMENT RESPOND
10 TO THE COMMENTS THAT WERE MADE BY PUBLIC SPEAKERS.

11

12 **SPEAKER:** SURE. MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, SUPERVISOR, MANY OF THE
13 ISSUES THAT WERE BROUGHT FORWARD TODAY REGARDING WATER SUPPLY,
14 WATER QUALITY AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF THIS PROJECT HAS
15 BEEN VETTED AT THE LAST HEARING, THE PUBLIC HEARING AS WELL AS
16 THE ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW PROCESS FOR THE PROJECT E.I.R. THAT
17 WAS CERTIFIED BY THE BOARD AT THE OCTOBER HEARING. IN ADDITION
18 TO YOUR PACKAGE FOR THIS ITEM, STAFF HAVE PREPARED A RESPONSE
19 TO MANY OF THESE ISSUES THAT WERE RAISED BY THE TESTIFIER AS
20 WELL AS LETTERS THAT WE HAVE RECEIVED FOR THE PAST FEW DAYS.
21 SO WE HAVE NOT SEEN ANY NEW ISSUE THAT WAS NOT DISCLOSED OR
22 DISCUSSED AS WELL AS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD AS WELL AS THE
23 PLANNING COMMISSION DURING THE HEARING PROCESS FOR THIS
24 PROJECT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THE ISSUE OF THE E.S.M. THAT WAS RAISED BUY
2 ONE OF THE SPEAKERS? THE DESIGN MONITORING SYSTEM THAT WAS
3 RAISED BY ONE OF THE SPEAKERS.

4

5 **SPEAKER:** YES. THE DEVELOPMENT MONITORING SYSTEM, THAT WAS
6 INCLUDED AS PART OF THE REVIEW FOR THE E.I.R., A REPORT WAS
7 RUN. AND IN ADDITION TO THE NUMBER AND THE DEMAND THAT'S
8 INDICATED IN THAT REPORT, THE CUMULATIVE IMPACT, NOT JUST
9 INCLUDING THIS PROJECT BUT ALSO RELATED PROJECT THAT WE HAVE
10 IN THE PIPELINE AS WELL AS BUILD OUT SCENARIO FOR THE ENTIRE
11 SANTA CLARITA VALLEY WAS INCLUDED AS PART OF THE REVIEW FOR
12 THIS PROJECT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE OF THE BANKRUPTCY?

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THE BANKRUPTCY? EXTENSIVE RESPONSE WAS PREPARED IN
17 THE FINAL E.I.R. THAT YOUR BOARD ADOPTED OR CERTIFIED BACK IN
18 OCTOBER. SPECIFIC RESPONSE WAS INCLUDED IN THAT DOCUMENT. IN
19 ADDITION, THE APPLICANT PROVIDED RESPONSE TO THE BOARD THIS
20 MORNING IN ADDITION TO COUNTY STAFF RESPONSE TO THOSE ISSUES
21 THAT WERE RAISED, SPECIFICALLY REGARDING THE SOVEREIGNTY, THE
22 SOLVENCY AND THE FINANCIAL ABILITY OF THE APPLICANT TO GO
23 THROUGH WITH THIS PROJECT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE OF THE CHLORIDE WASTE WATER
2 TREATMENT?

3

4 **SPEAKER:** THAT WAS ALSO EXTENSIVELY DISCUSSED AND RESPONDED TO
5 IN THE F.E.I.R., IN ADDITION TO THE RESPONSE THAT STAFF
6 PREPARED FOR THIS CONSENT HERE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE OF THE OIL WELLS?

9

10 **SPEAKER:** OIL WELL WAS ALSO ANALYZED IN THE E.I.R. THESE
11 ACTIVITIES THAT OCCURRED, THERE ARE EXISTING OIL WELL AND
12 THERE IS NO HISTORY OF FRACKING THAT WAS DONE ON THE PROJECT
13 SITE. AND YOUR BOARD'S APPROVAL OF THIS PROJECT WILL NOT ALLOW
14 FRACKING IN THE FUTURE UNLESS IT'S SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED AND
15 ANALYZED BY BOTH THE PROPERTY OWNER AND THE OPERATOR OF THE
16 FACILITY.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE IMPACT ON THE SANTA CLARA RIVER?

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20 **SPEAKER:** BOTH THE IMPACTS ON THE RIVER WAS ANALYZED BY BOTH
21 THE COUNTY AS WELL AS STATE AGENCIES SUCH AS THE DEPARTMENT OF
22 FISH AND GAME AND ALSO FEDERAL AGENCY, THE DEPARTMENT ARMY
23 CORPSES. AND THAT WAS ADDRESSED IN THIS PROJECT'S E.I.R. AS
24 WELL AS THE FEDERAL DOCUMENT THAT THE FISH AND GAME AND THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF ARMY CORPS CERTIFIED.



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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AND THE ISSUE ON AIR QUALITY?

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4 **SPEAKER:** THE AIR QUALITY, THAT WAS ADDRESSED IN BOTH THE AIR
5 QUALITY SECTION AND THE CLIMATE CHANGE SECTION THAT WAS
6 INCLUDED. AND IT DISCLOSED THERE ARE TEMPORARY IMPACTS FROM
7 CONSTRUCTION; BUT, HOWEVER, THERE ARE MITIGATION THAT'S
8 IMPOSED TO MITIGATE MANY OF THOSE IMPACTS TO BE LESS THAN
9 SIGNIFICANT.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THIS WAS A PROJECT THAT WAS APPROVED BY THE
12 BOARD NINE YEARS AGO IN 2003. IT SETS ASIDE OVER 10,000 ACRES
13 FOR OPEN SPACE, WHICH INCLUDES MORE THAN 8500 ACRES WITHIN A
14 MANAGED AND FUNDED PERMANENT PRESERVE. THE PROJECT'S BUILDING
15 STANDARDS EXCEED THE STATE'S CURRENT BUILDING STANDARDS TO
16 MINIMIZE EMISSIONS AND IT GENERATES 135,000 JOBS OVER THE NEXT
17 20 YEARS, PROVIDING APPROXIMATELY 60,000 PERMANENT JOBS AT
18 BUILDOUT. SO THIS IS THE SECOND PHASE IN THE MISSION VILLAGE-
19 SPECIFIC PLAN. AND I WOULD MOVE ITS ADOPTION, MR. CHAIRMAN.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. SECONDED BY KNABE. CALL THE
22 ROLL.

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24 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR MOLINA? SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-
25 THOMAS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** AYE.

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4 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** AY E.

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8 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY?

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ABSTAINED. IT'S APPROVED.

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THAT WAS BOTH 25 AND 26?

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14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 25 AND 26 YES, SO IT IS APPROVED.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE HAVE A SET ITEM AN HOUR AND A

19 HALF AGO.

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21 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND WITH THAT ITEM, SUPERVISOR MOLINA HAD

22 ASKED THAT ITEM 63 ALSO BE TAKEN UP WITH THAT.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT'S FINE. SO WHO'S GOING TO BE

25 INVOLVED IN THIS FROM THE DEPARTMENT? THE SHERIFF IS HERE.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

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4 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON. SORRY TO KEEP YOU
7 WAITING.

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9 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** IT'S QUITE ALL RIGHT.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU WANT TO BEGIN, SHERIFF?

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13 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** YES, SIR. I CAN JUMP RIGHT THROUGH IT. WE'VE
14 SENT A LETTER DATED TODAY, THE 30-DAY STATUS OF
15 RECOMMENDATIONS MADE OCTOBER 18, 2011, REGARDING A BOARD
16 MEETING, THE CONCERN OF MERRICK BOBB AND OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT
17 REVIEW RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE JAIL SYSTEM. I'D LIKE TO
18 REPORT ON FOUR ITEMS IN TERMS OF THEIR STATUS AND THEN ALSO
19 REPORT ON THREE ITEMS THAT ARE PENDING. THE FIRST IS THE SIX-
20 MONTH UPDATE OF JAIL REFORMS. AND I SENT TO EACH OF YOUR
21 OFFICES THIS COMPREHENSIVE BOOKLET THAT DESCRIBES ESSENTIALLY
22 WHAT WE'VE BEEN DOING TO REFORM THE JAILS. THE SECOND ITEM IS
23 THE CAMERAS. AND AS YOU KNOW, I BROUGHT MARIO _____ A
24 SPECIALIST WITH ME LAST MEETING AND HE'S HERE AGAIN TODAY AND
25 I'M GOING TO ASK HIM TO GIVE YOU THE UPDATE.



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2 **SPEAKER:** HOW IS EVERYBODY DOING THIS MORNING, THIS AFTERNOON?

3 IF YOU GUYS REMEMBER, I WAS HERE AT THE END OF MARCH GIVING

4 YOU GUYS A BRIEF OVERVIEW OF WHAT WAS TAKING PLACE THE NEXT

5 COUPLE MONTHS. I'LL JUST REVIEW THOSE THREE MAJOR PHASES REAL

6 QUICK. ONE WAS THE SERVERS AND THE NETWORK EQUIPMENT. THE

7 NETWORK SWITCHES. THE OTHER PHASE WAS THE CAMERA SIDE OF IT.

8 AND THEN THE THIRD AND FINAL PHASE WAS THE STORAGE. THE

9 NETWORK AND THE SERVERS HAVE ALL BEEN DEPLOYED AND INSTALLED

10 THROUGHOUT THE MONTH OF APRIL. THAT'S BEEN COMPLETED. STARTING

11 THE MONTH OF MAY, WE STARTED BRINGING ON THE REMAINING 405

12 CAMERAS. WE'RE CURRENTLY IN THE JUST STARTED THE THIRD WEEK OF

13 MAY AND WE ARE ON PACE TO MEET THAT QUOTA. WE'RE AT 200

14 CAMERAS AS OF THE START OF THIS WEEK. AND THIS WEEK WE'LL BE

15 AT 300 AND THEN WE'LL BE FINALIZING AT THE FOURTH WEEK OF MAY

16 BE AT 400. THERE IS ONE FINAL PIECE THAT'S VERY CRITICAL TO

17 ALL OF THIS, AND THAT'S THE STORAGE PIECE. CURRENTLY WE DO

18 HAVE THE CURRENT EXISTING 301 CAMERAS CURRENTLY RECORDING, BUT

19 THE REMAINING 400 CAMERAS THAT ARE BEING BROUGHT ONLINE THIS

20 MONTH, THEIR STORAGE HINGES ON THE I BELIEVE IT'S A BOARD

21 LETTER THAT'S WAITING FOR YOU GUYS TO SIGN OFF SO THAT WE

22 COULD AVOID THAT P.O. AND GET THAT GEAR PUT IN SO THAT WE

23 COULD BRING IN THE REMAINING STORAGE. OTHER THAN THAT,

24 EVERYTHING IS ON TRACK JUST LIKE WE TALKED ABOUT AND WE SHOULD

25 BE GOOD TO GO END OF MAY.



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2 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** OKAY. AND THE NEXT ITEM IS THE UPDATE
3 REGARDING THE USE OF FORCE. ESSENTIALLY WHAT WE'VE MANAGED TO
4 DO WITH OUR FORCE PREVENTION POLICY AND OUR PROACTIVE
5 LEADERSHIP FROM THE COMMANDERS' TASKFORCE IS TO GET INTO THE
6 PROSPECT THAT WHEREVER FORCE CAN BE AVOIDED, IT SHOULD BE.
7 WHAT THAT'S RESULTED IN IS THAT WE'VE HAD A 37 PERCENT
8 REDUCTION IN THE USE OF SIGNIFICANT FORCE AND A 29 PERCENT
9 REDUCTION, THAT WAS IN MARCH. AND IN APRIL, WE HAD A 29
10 PERCENT REDUCTION IN SIGNIFICANT FORCE AS OPPOSED TO THE APRIL
11 OF 2011 AND THE MARCH OF 2011. HOWEVER, WE HAVE HAD AN
12 INCREASE IN LESS SIGNIFICANT FORCE. SO THE POINT, THEN, IS
13 THAT THE LESS SIGNIFICANT FORCE IS WHERE THERE'S NO INJURIES
14 AT ALL, IT'S MERELY HANDCUFFING SOMEBODY OR RESTRAINING
15 SOMEBODY. SO THERE'S NO STRIKING ELEMENTS THAT GOES INTO LESS
16 SIGNIFICANT FORCE. SO THAT'S A POSITIVE TRENDING. THERE ARE
17 THREE PENDING RECOMMENDATIONS. ONE WILL BE EFFECTIVE JUNE 1ST
18 OF THIS YEAR. THAT'S THE FLASHLIGHT. WE WENT THROUGH ALL THAT
19 IN OUR PRIOR MEETINGS. THE NEXT IS THE DEPUTY-WORN CAMERAS. WE
20 BOUGHT THE 30 CAMERAS. THEY'RE DEPLOYED WITHIN THE DEPUTIES.
21 WE'RE USING A SIX-MONTH EVALUATION PERIOD. WE'RE FINDING THAT
22 OTHER DEPUTIES THAT ARE NOT PART OF THE PILOT WANT THE
23 CAMERAS, AS WELL. SO IT'S BECOME A POSITIVE TOOL. THE LAST ONE
24 IS THE TWO-TRACK CAREER PATH FOR DEPUTIES. AND IN THAT
25 RESPECT, WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO IDENTIFY MORE DEPUTIES WHO ARE



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1 WILLING TO FOREGO THE PATROL SIDE OF THEIR CAREER AND STAY
2 WITHIN THE CUSTODY ENVIRONMENT, AND WE ARE ALSO IDENTIFYING
3 DEPUTIES IN OUR ACADEMY CLASSES ON THE NEW HIRES THAT DESIRE
4 TO STAY IN PATROL -- EXCUSE ME, IN CUSTODY IN LIEU OF PATROL.
5 I JUST RECENTLY DIRECTED A POLICY THAT NO NEW ACADEMY GRADUATE
6 WILL HAVE TO DECIDE TO GO TO PATROL UPON GRADUATION, THAT
7 WE'LL WAIT UNTIL THEIR ONE YEAR PROBATIONARY PERIOD HAS
8 PASSED. AND AT THAT POINT WE'LL SOLICIT THEIR TRANSFER
9 REQUESTS. WE BELIEVE THAT AFTER A YEAR IN THE COUNTY JAIL, A
10 GOOD DEAL WILL AVOID THE PEER PRESSURE AS AN ACADEMY GRADUATE
11 AND MAKE A MORE RATIONAL DECISION TO REMAIN IN CUSTODY. SO
12 WITH THIS REPORT, I THINK WE'VE BEEN MOVING IN A MANNER THAT
13 PUTS US IN A BETTER PLACE TODAY THAN WE WERE BEFORE THIS
14 PROCESS BEGAN.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ANYBODY ELSE WANT TO
17 CONTRIBUTE ANYTHING TO THE DISCUSSION? DOES ANYBODY WISH TO BE
18 HEARD ON THIS? MISS MOLINA, DID YOU WANT TO BE HEARD ON THIS?
19 OKAY. SO THIS IS A RECEIVE AND FILE ITEM? DOES ANYBODY WANT TO
20 BE HEARD, IF NOT, KNABE MOVES. RIDLEY-THOMAS SECONDS. WITHOUT
21 OBJECTION, RECEIVE AND FILE. AND YOU KEEP US POSTED.

22
23 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** AND ON ITEM 63, BECAUSE IT WAS COMBINED
24 WITH IT.



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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND SUPERVISOR MOLINA MOVES ITEM
2 63. SECONDED BY RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT OBJECTION, UNANIMOUS
3 VOTE. AND KEEP US POSTED.

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5 **SHERIFF LEE BACA:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SORRY TO KEEP YOU
8 WAITING. PARDON? ITEM 74. THE ASSESSOR.

9

10 **SUP. MOLINA:** SACHI, LET ME UNDERSTAND WHAT JUST HAPPENED HERE.
11 I HAD AN AMENDMENT. I THOUGHT YOU HAD IT AND IT WAS INCLUDED.
12 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND I HAD AN AMENDMENT ON --

13

14 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** NO, I DID NOT RECEIVE AN AMENDMENT. THE
15 ONLY THING I RECEIVED WAS THAT 63 WAS BEING ATTACHED TO ITEM
16 S-1?

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** WE COULD RECONSIDER IT.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WE COULD RECONSIDER IT. BUT
21 SOMEBODY OUGHT TO GET US THE AMENDMENT. DO YOU HAVE A COPY OF
22 IT?

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24 **SUP. MOLINA:** AND THEN IF THEY COULD GET THE AMENDMENT TO YOU
25 ALL?



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** KNABE MOVES. I'LL SECOND
3 RECONSIDERATION OF THE LAST ITEM, WHICH WAS ITEM WHICH?

4

5 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** 63.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** 63.

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9 **SUP. MOLINA:** ON THIS ONE, HAVE WE RECONSIDERED? I CAN'T TELL.

10

11 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** YES.

12

13 **SUP. MOLINA:** OKAY. THIS IS AN AMENDMENT TO THAT ITEM. AND THAT
14 IS "OVER THE LAST FEW MONTHS, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS
15 REPORTED BACK THE BOARD OF DEPARTMENT'S PROJECT AND
16 IMPLEMENTING RECOMMENDATIONS PREVIOUSLY MADE BY SPECIAL
17 COUNSEL MERRICK BOBB AND THE OFFICE OF INDEPENDENT REVIEW. THE
18 INSTALLATION OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERA AT MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL AT
19 INMATE RECEPTION AS WELL AS AT TWIN TOWERS CORRECTIONAL
20 FACILITY REPRESENTS ONE OF SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS INTENDED TO
21 HOLD THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT ACCOUNTABLE ON DAY-TO-DAY
22 OPERATIONS AS WELL AS TO UPHOLD A PUBLIC CONFIDENCE AND
23 TRUST," WHICH I DON'T THINK WE'RE ACHIEVING. "AS SUCH, IT IS
24 CRITICAL THAT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT GO BEYOND THE
25 INSTALLATION OF SURVEILLANCE CAMERAS AND IMPLEMENT CLEAR



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1 POLICIES AND PROCEDURES THAT WILL NOT ONLY ADDRESS THE DAY-TO-
2 DAY USE OF THESE CAMERAS BUT ALSO INCLUDE MAINTENANCE, STAFF
3 TRAINING, ACCESS, RETRIEVAL AND STORAGE OF VIDEO FOOTAGE SINCE
4 THE SHERIFF HASN'T THOUGHT ABOUT ANY OF THESE ISSUES. WE
5 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD REQUEST THE SHERIFF TO PROVIDE
6 THIS BOARD WITH ADVANCED COPY OF THE PROPOSED POLICY PRIOR TO
7 PUBLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING BY MAY 25 OF 2012 AS IT RELATES TO
8 VIDEO SURVEILLANCE INCLUDING THE APPLICABLE PROVISIONS AND
9 CRITERIA FOR MAINTENANCE, STORAGE, ACCESS, AND RETRIEVAL
10 PROCESSES AS WELL AS THE TRAINING OF PERSONNEL. WHICH FURTHER
11 MOVE THE SHERIFF, THE C.E.O. PROVIDE A JOINT REPORT ON THE
12 RECOMMENDATIONS IN 30 DAYS OF THE VIDEO DATA STORAGE,
13 SPECIFICALLY THE LENGTH OF STORAGE, THE QUALITY OF DATA, ANY
14 ASSOCIATED COSTS AND FUNDING OPTIONS IF NECESSARY." THERE
15 SEEMED TO BE A PROBLEM WITH REGARD TO THESE ISSUES.

16

17 **SUP KNABE:** [INAUDIBLE]

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19 **SUP. MOLINA:** WELL THERE'S A DEBATE, THEY SAY ONE DAY THEY'RE
20 GOING TO DO ONE THING, AND THEN AT THE NEXT MEETING THEY SAY
21 THEY'RE GOING TO HOLD IT FOR SO LONG.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S GET SOMETHING CLEAR, FIRST
24 OF ALL. YOU WANT THIS AS AN AMENDMENT TO 63? OR AS AN
25 AMENDMENT TO S-1?



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2 **SUP. MOLINA:** NO TO 63.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BECAUSE THE ITEM SAYS SET ITEM 1.

5 THE MOTION SAYS SET ITEM 1.

6

7 **SUP. MOLINA:** MY CONTENT SAYS IT'S S-3, RIGHT? IT APPLIES TO

8 BOTH THEY TELL ME, I DON'T KNOW.

9

10 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** BECAUSE YOU'RE ASKING FOR ACTION ON ITEM

11 63, YOU SHOULD PROBABLY ATTACH IT TO ITEM 63. S-1 WAS REALLY

12 JUST THE RECEIVE AND FILE.

13

14 **SUP. MOLINA:** THE REPORT.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T YOU JUST STRIKE SET ITEM

17 1 AND CALL IT ITEM 63.

18

19 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IS THAT OKAY?

20

21 **SUP MOLINA:** YES.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. IS THERE ANY OBJECTION

24 TO THAT AMENDMENT? AS MOVED BY MOLINA SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH,

25 WITHOUT OBJECTION THE AMENDMENT IS APPROVED. NOW WE HAVE ITEM



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1 63 BEFORE US. MOLINA MOVES. ANTONOVICH SECONDS. WITHOUT
2 OBJECTION, IT'S APPROVED AS AMENDED. LET'S GO TO 74. IS THE
3 ASSESSOR HERE? THE AUDITOR, I'M SORRY. IS THE AUDITOR HERE?
4 WHY DON'T YOU ALL INTRODUCE YOURSELVES FOR THE RECORD.

5

6 **WENDY WATANABE:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF
7 THE BOARD. WENDY WATANABE, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. ON APRIL 10TH,
8 YOUR BOARD INSTRUCTED US TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE AUDIT OF
9 THE ASSESSOR'S OPERATIONS. AND YOU'VE ALSO INSTRUCTED US TO
10 RETAIN AN OUTSIDE CONSULTANT OR SUBJECT MATTER EXPERT TO
11 INDEPENDENTLY REVIEW AND VERIFY THE ASSESSOR'S FISCAL YEAR
12 2012-13 ASSESSED VALUE ROLL FORECAST. THE FOCUS WAS TO REVIEW
13 THE REDUCTION IN THE ASSESSOR'S DECEMBER 2011 FORECAST OF A
14 1.77 PERCENT GROWTH IN THE ROLL VALUE TO A GROWTH OF ONLY .49
15 PERCENT IN THE APRIL 2012 FORECAST. THE CHANGE REPRESENTS A
16 DROP IN THE PROJECTED GROWTH FROM 18.6 BILLION DOLLARS TO 5.1
17 BILLION, WHICH IS A NET DECREASE OF 13.5 BILLION. WHILE THE
18 COMPREHENSIVE AUDIT IS UNDERWAY, WE ARE READY TO PRESENT TO
19 YOUR BOARD THE CONSULTANT'S REVIEW OF THE ASSESSOR'S ROLL
20 FORECAST. WITH ME IS JIM SIMON FROM R.S.G. CONSULTING THAT WE
21 HAVE RETAINED. R.S.G. HAS REVIEWED ASSESSOR'S METHODOLOGY USED
22 IN THEIR FORECASTING AND WILL PROVIDE THEIR ANALYSIS TODAY.

23

24 **JIM SIMON:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MY NAME IS JIM SIMON WITH R.S.G. WE
25 ARE A CONSULTANT THAT HAS WORKED FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES



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1 FOR THE PAST 32 YEARS, PRIMARILY RETAINED TO DO REVENUE
2 PROJECTIONS AND ASSESSED VALUE PROJECTIONS FOR LOCAL
3 GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, CITIES, COUNTIES, SPECIAL DISTRICTS, ET
4 CETERA. WE WERE BROUGHT INTO THIS ASSIGNMENT APPROXIMATELY A
5 MONTH AGO AS THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DESCRIBED TO LOOK AT THREE
6 THINGS. ONE WAS THE PROCESS AND THE METHODOLOGY USED TO
7 COMPUTE THE DECEMBER AND APRIL FORECASTS OF THE ASSESSOR'S
8 OFFICE AS WELL AS ASSIST AND INDEPENDENTLY CREATE AN ANALYSIS
9 OF WHAT THE ASSESSED VALUES WOULD LOOK LIKE FOR IF COUNTY AS A
10 WHOLE FOR THE COMING 2012-13 FISCAL YEAR. AS A MATTER OF
11 BACKGROUND, THE PROJECTIONS THAT ARE PERFORMED BY THE COUNTY
12 ASSESSOR ARE REQUIRED UNDER STATE LAW IN ONLY ONE
13 CIRCUMSTANCE, AND THAT IS FOR A SITUATION IN WHICH A TAXING
14 AGENCY WOULD REQUEST A FORECAST IN MAY, BY MAY 15TH OF EVERY
15 YEAR, THIS IS UNDER THE GOVERNMENT CODE. YOUR COUNTY IS ONE OF
16 THE ONLY ONES THAT WE COULD FIND IN CALIFORNIA THAT PERFORMS
17 TWO ADDITIONAL FORECASTS PRECEDING THAT. FOR THE LAST 20
18 YEARS, THE COUNTY HAS UNDERTAKEN A FORECAST IN DECEMBER AND
19 AGAIN ONE IN MARCH OR APRIL THAT ARE LEADING UP TO THE MAY
20 FORECAST. THIS IS IMPORTANT BECAUSE IN TERMS OF BEST PRACTICES
21 UNDERTAKEN BY COUNTY ASSESSORS AROUND THE STATE, THERE ARE
22 VERY FEW EXAMPLES OF THIS AROUND THE STATE. THE PRIMARY ROLE
23 OF THE ASSESSOR IS TO ASSESS PROPERTY IN CALIFORNIA. EACH
24 COUNTY HAS A PROCESS THEY UNDERTAKE. YOURS INVOLVES ACTIVITIES
25 OF APPRAISAL STAFF AND COMPUTER DATED MODELING SYSTEM WHICH IS



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1 USED TO ASSIST STAFF IN THAT PROCESS. IT IS NOT UNUSUAL AND IN
2 VERY TYPICAL FASHION, THE PROCESS TAKES SOME TIME TO PLAY OUT.
3 AS THE PROCESS BEGINS AND GOES THROUGH THE ENROLLMENT
4 ACTIVITIES, THE DATA BECOMES MORE AND MORE ACCURATE LEADING UP
5 UNTIL THE POINT OF THE FINAL ENROLLMENT OF THE VALUES IN JULY.
6 SO WHERE YOU ARE TODAY IS THAT YOU HAVE A FORECAST FROM THE
7 MONTH OF DECEMBER THAT INDICATED ASSESSED VALUES IN THE COUNTY
8 WOULD GROW BY 1.77 PERCENT. THAT FORECAST WAS HIGH BY OUR OWN
9 ESTIMATION AS WELL AS THAT OF THE ASSESSOR FOR REASONS WHICH
10 WE'LL GET INTO. THE SECOND FORECAST CAME OUT IN APRIL WHICH
11 WAS A .49 PERCENT INCREASE IN ASSESSED VALUES. THAT WOUND UP
12 BEING EXCEEDINGLY LOW. AND ACTUALLY NOW WE HAVE A FORECAST
13 THAT R.S.G. HAS PREPARED AS WELL AS THE ASSESSOR WHICH
14 CONCLUDES THAT THE ACTUAL GROWTH OR THE ANTICIPATED GROWTH FOR
15 THE COUNTY IN THE 12-13 ROLL WILL BE 1.14 PERCENT. THE REASON
16 WHY THE DECEMBER FORECAST --

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** COULD I ASK YOU A QUESTION ON
19 THAT?

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21 **JIM SIMON:** SURE.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DID YOU AND THE ASSESSOR
24 INDEPENDENTLY REACH THE SAME 1.14? OR DID YOU NEGOTIATE,
25 ESSENTIALLY, A COMMON NUMBER?



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2 **JIM SIMON:** NO. R.S.G. WAS BROUGHT IN TO ASSIST, TO BASICALLY
3 DO OUR OWN ESTIMATION OF THE REMAINING PROPERTIES THAT HAD NOT
4 YET BEEN ENROLLED IN THE PROCESS TO PUT TOGETHER THE NEW ROLL.
5 SO WE DID OUR OWN INDEPENDENT FORECAST, USED OUR OWN
6 METHODOLOGY FOR DETERMINING VALUES AND THEN PROVIDED THAT TO
7 THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE ASSESSOR IS ESSENTIALLY
10 CONCURRING IN YOUR ANALYSIS.

11

12 **JIM SIMON:** THEY'VE INCORPORATED OUR ANALYSIS INTO THEIR
13 REPORT.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO IT WOULD NOT BE ACCURATE TO SAY
16 THEY REACHED THE SAME CONCLUSION AS YOU DID BASED UPON
17 INDEPENDENT ANALYSIS? THEY'VE ACCEPTED YOUR ANALYSIS? I'M NOT
18 TRYING TO MAKE A BIG DEAL OUT OF IT. I'M JUST TRYING TO
19 UNDERSTAND WHAT EACH OF YOU DID.

20

21 **JIM SIMON:** YES, THEY'VE ALLUDED TO THAT IN THEIR OWN FORECAST
22 THAT THEY'VE INCLUDED THAT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU.

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1 **JIM SIMON:** THE DECEMBER FORECAST IS HISTORICALLY PREPARED
2 BASED UPON DATA THROUGH THE FIRST THREE QUARTERS OF THE YEAR.
3 THE LEAN DATE FOR PROPERTY TAXES THROUGHOUT CALIFORNIA HAS
4 ALWAYS BEEN JANUARY 1ST. SO YOU ALWAYS HAVE THIS CHALLENGE
5 WHERE YOU ARE PREPARING A FORECAST BASED UPON INFORMATION
6 THAT'S NOT YET REFLECTIVE OF THE LIEN DATE. IN THIS CASE,
7 SEPTEMBER 2011. MAP ABOVE YOU SHOWS WHERE SUCH VALUES WERE
8 HEADED AS OF SEPTEMBER 2011 COUNTY-WIDE. AS IT'S BEEN
9 EXPRESSED AND WAS INDICATED IN A NUMBER OF DIFFERENT SOURCES
10 WITHIN THE COUNTY AND OUTSIDE BY THIRD-PARTY DATA PROVIDERS,
11 SUCH AS DATA QUICK AND THE LIKE, ASSESSED VALUES IN -- I
12 SHOULD SAY MEDIAN HOME PRICES IN THE COUNTY WERE RELATIVELY
13 STABLE TO THAT POINT OF YEAR. YOU CAN SEE A NUMBER OF AREAS IN
14 THE COUNTY IN BLUE WHERE PROPERTY VALUES WERE DECLINING, A
15 NUMBER OF AREAS IN RED WHERE PROPERTY VALUES WERE ACTUALLY
16 INCREASING, AND THEN THE NEUTRAL COLORS ARE BASICALLY AROUND
17 THE AREA WHERE THEY WERE SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN. AROUND PLUS OR
18 MINUS 3 PERCENT. GOING FORWARD IF YOU GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE
19 YOU'LL SEE WHAT HAPPENED BY THE TIME JANUARY HIT. A NUMBER OF
20 PROPERTIES IN THE LAST QUARTER OF THE YEAR SAW DECLINES. YOU
21 SEE THIS REFLECTED IN MORE AREAS IN THE COUNTY REFLECTING A
22 DECLINE IN PROPERTY VALUES OR IN SITUATIONS WHERE THEY HAD
23 GROWTH, THAT GROWTH HAD TAPERED OFF. AND SO THIS SHIFT IN
24 ASSESSED, IN PROPERTY VALUES, IN RESIDENTIAL MARKET VALUES,
25 WHICH ARE A SIGNIFICANT COMPONENT IN THE CHANGE IN VALUE WAS



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1 USED TO DERIVE THE DECEMBER ESTIMATE. THE DATA SHIFTED, FACTS
2 SHIFTED, THE MARKETS SHIFTED AND AS A RESULT, THE DECEMBER
3 FORECAST WOUND UP BEING OFF. AND THAT IS BECAUSE THE DECEMBER
4 FORECAST AGAIN DOES NOT INCLUDE DATA FOR THE LAST QUARTER OF
5 THE YEAR. IF YOU CAN GO TO THE NEXT SLIDE. THE OTHER FACTOR
6 THAT'S GOING ON IS THE FACT THAT YOU'VE GOT A NUMBER OF
7 PROPERTIES IN THE COUNTY SINCE 2009 THAT ARE BEING ASSESSED AT
8 OR NEAR MARKET VALUE TODAY. AND THAT CREATES A VERY VOLATILE
9 ROLL FOR ABOUT ONE IN FIVE PROPERTIES IN THE COUNTY. WHAT THAT
10 MEANS IS THAT YOU HAVE A SIGNIFICANT PORTION OF YOUR ASSESSED
11 VALUES IN THE COUNTY THAT ARE REALLY FUNCTIONING VERY MUCH
12 LIKE HOW THEY WERE PRE-PROPOSITION 13. SO THAT A SMALL CHANGE
13 IN MARKET VALUE CAN LEAD TO A CHANGE IN THE ASSESSED VALUE OF
14 PROPERTIES. AND THAT'S WHAT YOU SEE PLAYED OUT HERE IN THE
15 MAPS ABOVE YOU. THE CIRCLES AS YOU SEE THERE REFLECT WHERE
16 THESE PROPERTIES THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY ARE LOCATED. IN TOTAL
17 THERE ARE HALF A MILLION PROPERTIES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY
18 CURRENTLY THAT ARE ASSESSED AT OR NEAR MARKET VALUE BASED UPON
19 WHERE HOME PRICES WERE HEADING AND MARKET VALUES WERE HEADING
20 RELATIVE TO THEIR ASSESSED VALUES. THE APRIL FORECAST TOOK
21 THIS INFORMATION INTO CONSIDERATION AND THEN IT WAS UP TO THE
22 APPRAISERS TO GO OUT AND NOT JUST LOOK AT WHAT THE DATA SHOWED
23 BUT ACTUALLY CONFIRM IN A FIELD WHERE THESE VALUES WOUND UP
24 GOING. SO THE DISTINCTION HERE IS THAT YOU'VE GOT A DECEMBER
25 FORECAST THAT INCLUDED MORE ROSY ESTIMATES OF ASSESSED VALUES



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1 BASED UPON A PARTIAL YEAR'S DATA AND THEN THE APRIL FORECAST
2 WHICH PROBABLY WHICH WOULD HAVE CONSIDERED PROBABLY THE WORST
3 CASE SCENARIO IN TERMS OF WHERE ALL OF THESE VALUES COULD HAVE
4 WOUND UP BEING. SO AS A RESULT, THE APRIL FORECAST WAS OFF. AN
5 ADDITIONAL SECONDARY COMPONENT OF THE APRIL FORECAST BEING OFF
6 WAS THE FACT THAT IN THE MODELING OF THE ESTIMATE, ONE
7 COMPONENT OF THE ESTIMATE HAD AN OVERSTATED AMOUNT OF
8 REDUCTION OF ABOUT 8-1/2 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL ROLL, OF THE
9 TOTAL CHANGE IN THE ROLL, I SHOULD SAY, AS A RESULT OF
10 CALCULATION ERROR WHICH WOULD HAVE IF IT HAD BEEN DONE
11 CORRECTLY, PROBABLY WOULD HAVE HIGHLIGHTED THE FACT THAT
12 THERE'S A CHANGE IN SOME OF THE COMPUTATIONS WOULD HAVE BEEN
13 APPROPRIATE AND PERHAPS SOME OF THE ADJUSTMENTS THAT WERE
14 BEING MADE IN THE APRIL FORECASTS WEREN'T NECESSARY. THE
15 PROCESS THAT THE ASSESSOR UNDERTAKES IS A COMBINATION OF
16 LOOKING AT THE DATA THAT COMES OUT OF THE SYSTEM AND ALSO
17 INCORPORATING ADJUSTMENTS FOR APPRAISER ACTIONS ON THESE
18 PROPERTIES. SO, OUR RECOMMENDATIONS, WHICH ARE ENCAPSULATED IN
19 YOUR REPORT, INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING: FIRST, THAT THE DECEMBER
20 FORECAST NEEDS TO INCLUDE THE MORE RECENT DATA IN TERMS OF
21 SALES BY THE TIME YOU GET TO THAT PERIOD BECAUSE YOU'RE
22 GETTING CLOSER TO THE LIEN DATE. AND THAT'S A CRITICAL TIME
23 FOR GETTING CORRECT INFORMATION ON ASSESSED VALUES AND MARKET
24 VALUES. WE'RE RECOMMENDING TO INCLUDE AT LEAST THE MONTHS OF
25 OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER EVEN IF THAT DATA HAS NOT YET FULLY BEEN



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1 EVALUATED BUY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE FOR ENROLLMENT PURPOSES,
2 IT CAN AT LEAST GIVE YOU A PRETTY GOOD BELLWETHER INDICATION
3 OF WHERE THE MARKET VALUES ARE HEADED, WHICH WOULD INFLUENCE
4 WHERE THINGS ARE GOING ON THE OVERALL ASSESSMENT ROLL. IF YOU
5 LOOK AT REPORTS FROM THAT PERIOD, FOR EXAMPLE, YOU'LL FIND
6 THAT DATA QUICK AND OTHERS WERE IDENTIFYING THAT MARKET VALUES
7 WERE DROPPING IN THE LATTER PART OF THE YEAR AT A HIGHER PACE
8 THAN WHAT HAD BEEN VIEWED IN PRIOR YEARS. SECOND, WE ARE
9 RECOMMENDING THAT A SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS BE PERFORMED,
10 PARTICULARLY IN THE DECEMBER FORECAST AND EVEN IN THE APRIL
11 FORECAST IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE THE IMPACT OF WHAT COULD
12 OCCUR WITH MARKET VALUES AS THE ESTIMATION PROCESS MOVES
13 FORWARD. BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT YOU'VE GOT A NUMBER OF
14 PROPERTIES IN THE ROLL THAT ARE BEING ASSESSED AT OR NEAR
15 MARKET VALUE, YOU'VE GOT A VOLATILE ASSESSMENT ROLL, WHICH IS
16 BASED UPON CONDITIONS WHICH THE COUNTY DOES NOT CONTROL, REAL
17 ESTATE MARKET VALUES, AND THEREFORE WE RECOMMEND THAT THAT BE
18 DONE AS PART OF THE BUDGETARY PROCESS AND THE PROJECTION
19 FORECAST PROCESS. THIRD, WE'RE RECOMMENDING THAT THE ANALYSIS
20 OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE FORECAST BE DONE ON AS MUCH OF A
21 GEOGRAPHIC-SPECIFIC AND LAND USE-SPECIFIC LEVEL POSSIBLE. THE
22 FORECAST CURRENTLY EMPLOYS BOTH CLUSTER-BASED ANALYSIS AND
23 COUNTYWIDE ADJUSTMENTS TO THAT CLUSTER ANALYSIS. WE BELIEVE
24 THAT IN USING A CLUSTER-BASED LEVEL THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE
25 FORECAST, EVEN PERHAPS A MORE DETAILED LEVEL ANALYSIS, CAN



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1 YIELD A MORE ACCURATE CONCLUSION ON VALUES RELATIVE TO WHERE
2 THE APPRAISERS ARE GOING TO COME IN AT. AND THEN, FINALLY, TO
3 GET ASSISTANCE FROM OUTSIDE EXPERTS IN TERMS OF TRANSLATING
4 MARKET INFORMATION AND MODIFYING THE MODEL IN ORDER SO THAT
5 THESE CONDITIONS AND THESE ISSUES THAT WERE HIGHLIGHTED THIS
6 YEAR FOR A MODEL THAT'S BEEN AROUND FOR THE LAST FIVE OR SIX
7 YEARS CAN BE ADDRESSED IN FUTURE ANALYSES. THE OVERALL TAKE-
8 AWAY FROM THIS FORECAST IS THAT THE GOAL SEEMS TO BE TO
9 IDENTIFY AT FORECAST VALUES THAT ARE AS CLOSE TO WHERE THE
10 ASSESSOR'S VALUES WILL WIND UP COMING IN AT. AND SO FOR THESE
11 RECOMMENDATIONS THAT WE'VE OUTLINED, WE BELIEVE THAT THOSE
12 WILL ASSIST IN THAT END. AND THAT CONCLUDES MY REPORT, AND
13 I'LL BE HAPPY TO ENTERTAIN ANY QUESTIONS.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ARE THERE ANY QUESTIONS
16 ON THE PART OF ANY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD? MR. ANTONOVICH?

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WAS THE PRIMARY DATA USED BY THE
19 ASSESSOR TO CALCULATE THE ASSESSED VALUE OF THE ROLL FORECAST?

20

21 **JIM SIMON:** I DIDN'T CATCH ALL OF THE QUESTION.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WHAT WAS THE PRIMARY DATA USED BY THE
24 ASSESSOR TO CALCULATE THE ASSESSED VALUE ROLL FORECASTS?

25



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1 **JIM SIMON:** THE PRIMARY DATA IN TERMS OF SALES INFORMATION? ALL
2 SALES INFORMATION IS COLLECTED BY THE RECORDER'S OFFICE AND
3 THEN WAS USED BY THE ASSESSOR IN EMPLOYING THAT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO THEY USED PRIVATE SECTOR DATA?

6

7 **JIM SIMON:** NO. THIS WAS INFORMATION THAT CAME IN FROM THE
8 COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE. SO THE INFORMATION THAT'S RECORDED
9 IN ALL TRANSFERS.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SO WOULD THEY ALSO SEEK PRIVATE SECTOR DATA,
12 AS WELL?

13

14 **JIM SIMON:** IT IS USED AS A REFERENCE POINT ON A COUNTY-WIDE
15 LEVEL ONLY BUT NOT NECESSARILY ON A GEOGRAPHIC-SPECIFIC LEVEL.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** R.S.G. HAD NOTED DATA ON ACTUAL SALES FOR
18 OCTOBER, NOVEMBER 2011 SHOWED SIGNS OF A SOFTENING MARKET IN
19 MANY PARTS OF THE COUNTY. WHY THIS DATA WAS NOT INCORPORATED
20 IN THAT FORECAST, DO YOU KNOW?

21

22 **JIM SIMON:** I CAN ONLY-- I CAN TELL YOU WHY IT APPEARS THAT IT
23 WASN'T INCLUDED. WE WEREN'T THERE IN DECEMBER. BUT
24 HISTORICALLY IT'S NOT INCLUDED BECAUSE THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF
25 THE ASSESSOR IS TO ENROLL VALUES. WHEN SALES COME IN, THERE'S



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1 A PROCESS THAT THE ASSESSOR UNDERTAKES TO ENROLL VALUES WHICH
2 IS TO EVALUATE EACH TRANSFER TO DETERMINE WHAT THE ACTUAL
3 SALES PRICE WAS. SOMETIMES THERE CAN BE ADJUSTMENTS TO THOSE
4 CONDITIONS AND THE LIKE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** SHOULD AN OUTSIDE COUNSEL BE RETAINED TO
7 VERIFY THE .49 PERCENT FIGURE IF IT APPEARED TO BE COMPARED TO
8 THE PREVIOUS DECEMBER FIGURE?

9

10 **JIM SIMON:** I BELIEVE OUR ROLE IN THIS PROCESS WAS TO IDENTIFY
11 WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN THE MONTH OF DECEMBER AND APRIL. AND OUR
12 FORECAST DID CONCLUDE THAT THERE WAS AN UNDERSTATEMENT OF
13 ASSESSED VALUES AS A RESULT OF SOME OF THE CONDITIONS I
14 MENTIONED.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** BECAUSE THE ASSESSMENT RELIES HEAVILY UPON
17 STAFF, WHAT TYPE OF PROPER TRAINING IS IN PLACE TO INSURE THAT
18 STAFF HAS THE ABILITY TO MAKE THE PROPER MEASUREMENTS?

19

20 **JIM SIMON:** WE'VE ALLUDED TO THAT IN OUR REPORT. WE DO BELIEVE
21 THAT, YOU KNOW, AS ASSESSORS, THEIR PRIMARY FUNCTION IS TO BE
22 ASSESSORS, NOT FORECASTERS. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF NUANCES TO
23 THIS TYPE OF A FORECAST, PARTICULARLY IN A MARKET THAT WE HAVE
24 TODAY THAT IS VERY UNPREDICTABLE. YOU CAN OFTEN GET
25 CONFLICTING INFORMATION IN TERMS OF WHERE HOME VALUES ARE



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1 HEADED VERSUS UNEMPLOYMENT DATA. SO IT'S IMPORTANT TO TRY TO
2 EMPLOY MORE FORECASTING EXPERTISE, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT THAT
3 THE ROLL IS SO VOLATILE AT THIS POINT IN TIME.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE A COUPLE QUESTIONS. YOUR
8 REPORT EXPLAINS THAT THE DECEMBER AND APRIL FORECAST SUPPLIES
9 AVERAGE VALUE CHANGES ON A COUNTY-WIDE BASIS RATHER THAN BY
10 GEOGRAPHICAL AREA, IS THAT RIGHT?

11

12 **JIM SIMON:** ACTUALLY, I SHOULD PROBABLY CLARIFY. THE FORECAST
13 THAT'S EMPLOYED BY THE COUNTY ASSESSOR'S OFFICE USES BOTH A
14 GEOGRAPHIC-SPECIFIC ANALYSIS AS WELL AS COUNTY-WIDE ADJUSTMENT
15 TO THOSE ANALYSES. IT'S THE COUNTY-WIDE ADJUSTMENTS THAT ARE
16 MADE, IN OTHER WORDS, YOU'RE TAKING CLUSTER-LEVEL DATA, 350
17 RESIDENTIAL CLUSTERS AROUND THE COUNTY, AND THEN ADJUSTING
18 THAT BY SOME FACTOR OF A COUNTY-WIDE FACTOR, WHICH MAY NOT BE
19 THE MOST ACCURATE WAY TO DETERMINE WHAT'S ACTUALLY HAPPENING
20 IN INDIVIDUAL REAL ESTATE MARKETS.

21

22 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT I AND MY STAFF HAVE BEEN TOLD
23 IS THAT, BY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, IS THAT FORECASTS THAT THEY
24 MAKE ARE CONDUCTED USING NEIGHBORHOOD-SPECIFIC DATA, NOT
25 COUNTY-WIDE.



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2 **JIM SIMON:** IT'S A COMBINATION OF BOTH IS WHAT'S BEING USED.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** BY THEM?

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6 **JIM SIMON:** YES.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IF IF THE DECEMBER FORECAST HAD
9 INCLUDED THE OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER SALES DATA, HOW MUCH WOULD
10 THAT HAVE AFFECTED THE 1.77 PERCENT ESTIMATE THAT CAME OUT?

11

12 **JIM SIMON:** UNFORTUNATELY I'M NOT ABLE TO GIVE YOU THE SPECIFIC
13 PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE, BUT IT WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN LOWER
14 THAN 1.77 PERCENT. AS I MENTIONED IN THE PRESENTATION, THE
15 REPORTS WERE OUT THERE THAT HOME PRICES HAD BEEN DECLINING IN
16 SEVERAL MARKETS IN THE LAST QUARTER OF THE YEAR ABOUT 30
17 ADDITIONAL ZIP CODES IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY SAW THEIR VALUES
18 DROP COMPARED TO WHERE THEY WERE IN THE EARLY PART OF THE
19 YEAR. SO THERE WAS CERTAINLY MORE OF A DROP THAN WHAT WAS
20 EARLIER INDICATED. I CAN'T GIVE YOU A SPECIFIC PERCENTAGE, BUT
21 IT WOULD CERTAINLY HAVE BEEN SOMEWHERE BETWEEN THE 1.77 AND
22 PROBABLY 1 PERCENT IS MY GUESS.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND IS THAT TREND CONTINUING NOW?
25 OR HAS THAT LEVELED OFF OR TURNED AROUND?



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2 **JIM SIMON:** THE LATEST I'VE BEEN READING IS THAT THERE'S BEEN A
3 RECOVERY INTO THIS CURRENT YEAR TO DATE, BUT THAT WE'RE NOT,
4 YOU KNOW, SURE, OF COURSE, HOW LONG THAT -- IF THERE IS GOING
5 TO BE A RECOVERY OF ANY SUSTAINABLE NATURE, HOW LONG THAT WILL
6 BE.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO THAT THE NOVEMBER/DECEMBER
9 EXPERIENCE WAS KIND OF ANOMALISTIC?

10

11 **JIM SIMON:** HISTORICALLY, YES. IN THAT NOT ONLY DID YOU HAVE
12 VALUES DROP, BUT IT DROPPED AT A TIME WHEN THE ROLL WAS HIGHLY
13 VOLATILE. IF YOU HAD THE SAY PRE-2009 CUSHION AND PROPERTY
14 VALUES WHERE MARKET VALUES WERE SIGNIFICANTLY ABOVE ASSESSED
15 VALUES, WE WOULDN'T BE TALKING ABOUT THIS MOST LIKELY TODAY
16 BECAUSE THE ASSESSOR'S FORECAST WOULDN'T HAVE SEEN THAT KIND
17 OF VARIANCE IN THEIR CONCLUSIONS.

18

19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR REPORT SUGGESTED LOOKING AT
20 OTHER ECONOMIC INDICATORS. IF WE HAD LOOKED AT THE RECENT
21 BUREAU OF LABOR STATISTICS DATA ON JOB CREATION, WHICH THEIR
22 INFORMATION WAS SLIGHTLY POSITIVE IF MY MEMORY SERVES ME
23 CORRECTLY, WOULDN'T THAT HAVE RESULTED IN EVEN MORE INFLATED
24 DECEMBER ESTIMATE?

25



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1 **JIM SIMON:** WELL IT'S UNFORTUNATELY A LOT OF ECONOMISTS WILL
2 TELL YOU THERE'S A LOT OF MIXED INFORMATION OUT THERE THESE
3 DAYS ABOUT WHERE HOME PRICES ARE HEADED. AND THAT'S A BIG
4 COMPONENT OF THIS ENTIRE FORECAST. CERTAINLY WHERE
5 UNEMPLOYMENT DATA IS AT IS A FACTOR IN THAT CONSIDERATION. BUT
6 WE'VE SEEN SITUATIONS IN THE LAST 18 TO 24 MONTHS WHERE THE
7 DATA IS MIXED THAT'S COMING IN. SO WE THINK THAT'S WHY IT'S
8 IMPORTANT TO INCLUDE THAT OCTOBER AND NOVEMBER ACTUAL SALES
9 DATA INTO THE FORECAST AS WELL AS LOOKING AT WHAT OTHER
10 ECONOMIC BAROMETERS ARE OUT THERE SO YOU CAN GET A MORE
11 COMPLETE PICTURE OF WHERE THE ASSESSED THE VALUES MAY BE ON
12 JANUARY 1ST.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. YOUR SALES DATA FOR THE LAST
15 QUARTER OF 2011, EVEN WHEN YOU INCORPORATE THAT SALES DATA,
16 THE ESTIMATE THAT YOU'VE NOW COME UP WITH IS .65 PERCENT OFF
17 OF WHAT THE ASSESSOR PROJECTED WHEN PROJECTED 1.77 PERCENT.
18 YOUR REPORT ATTRIBUTES THIS TO A MATHEMATICAL ERROR. CAN YOU
19 EXPLAIN WHAT THE ERROR WAS? AND HAS THIS BEEN FIXED GOING
20 FORWARD? OR WHAT'S THE STORY?

21

22 **JIM SIMON:** YEAH, THAT HAD TO DO WITH THE COMPUTATION OF AN
23 ADJUSTMENT THAT WAS USED IN DERIVING SOME OF THE CHANGE IN
24 VALUE IN THE APRIL FORECAST THAT LED THE APRIL FORECAST TO BE
25 WOUND UP BEING OVERSTATED. BUT ACTUALLY THE CALCULATION ERROR



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1 ACTUALLY UNDERSTATED WHAT WOULD HAVE BEEN EVEN A BIGGER DROP
2 IN VALUES HAD IT BEEN DONE CORRECTLY. SO THERE WAS THAT
3 CALCULATION ERROR. AND PERHAPS IF THIS WOULD HAVE BEEN
4 CALCULATED PROPERLY, WOULD HAVE HIGHLIGHTED EVEN MORE, PERHAPS
5 THAT ADJUSTMENT WASN'T EVEN NECESSARY AT THE END OF THE DAY.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO HAS THAT BEEN CORRECTED?

8

9 **JIM SIMON:** YES.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** NOT JUST GOING FORWARD BUT WAS
12 THIS A UNIQUE MISTAKE?

13

14 **JIM SIMON:** IT WAS NOT --

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WAS IT A STRUCTURAL MISTAKE OR A
17 ONE-TIME SCREWUP?

18

19 **JIM SIMON:** WELL, THE MAY 15TH FORECAST THAT YOU HAVE INCLUDES
20 R.S.G.'S OPINION OF WHERE THOSE UNENROLLED VALUES ARE GOING TO
21 BE FOR THOSE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES. SO WE DIDN'T USE THAT
22 SAME METHODOLOGY THAT WAS USED BACK IN APRIL. FOR GOING
23 FORWARD, WE'VE BEEN IN CONVERSATION WITH STAFF IN THE
24 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, THE FORECASTING UNIT OF THE ASSESSOR'S
25 OFFICE AND THEY'RE AWARE OF SOME OF THESE ISSUES AND ARE



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1 LOOKING AT HOW TO MODIFY THEIR APPROACH SO THAT IN THE FUTURE,
2 THESE THINGS ARE FLAGGED AND TRACKED.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DO YOU THINK THAT THERE'S -- THAT
5 THE LEVEL OF RETIREMENTS AND KEY MANAGEMENT STAFF IN THE
6 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE HAS HAD ANY IMPACT ON THIS SITUATION AND THE
7 OTHER TURNOVER THAT HAS TAKEN PLACE?

8

9 **JIM SIMON:** I'M AWARE THAT THERE HAS BEEN TURNOVER IN STAFF
10 THAT'S BEEN INVOLVED IN THE FORECAST. I CAN'T SAY THAT THAT
11 ALONE WOULD HAVE BEEN THE ONLY FACTOR OR EVEN A CONTRIBUTING
12 FACTOR BECAUSE OF THE FACT THAT THIS MODEL'S BEEN AROUND SINCE
13 2007. AND IT WAS SORT OF A COMBINATION IF YOU WILL OF PERFECT
14 STORM OF CIRCUMSTANCE OF MARKET VALUES BEING RELATIVELY LOW
15 COMPARED TO ASSESSED VALUES IN A LARGE COMPONENT OF THE ROLL
16 AND THE FACT THAT THE FORECAST IN DECEMBER WAS VULNERABLE TO
17 THAT TYPE OF A FLUCTUATION WHICH WE HAVEN'T SEEN HISTORICALLY
18 IN USING THIS FORECAST.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS WHEN YOU
21 LOOK AT YOUR BROADER AUDIT, MISS WATANABE, WOULD BE TO FOCUS,
22 IN PART, ON THE ISSUE OF THE STAFFING BECAUSE I'VE HEARD IT
23 DESCRIBED TO ME AS A BRAIN DRAIN IN THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE,
24 THAT A LOT OF SENIOR MANAGEMENT PEOPLE, KEY PEOPLE, HAVE LEFT,
25 RETIRED OR LEFT. AND THERE'S A VACUUM OF OF EXPERIENCED PEOPLE



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1 IN THESE CRITICAL AREAS OF VALUATION. PROPERTY VALUATION. SO
2 WHETHER IT WAS A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR OR A FACTOR AT ALL AT THIS
3 POINT, I THINK IT'S POSSIBLE, REASONABLE TO CONCLUDE THAT IT
4 COULD BE A FACTOR IN THE FUTURE IN THIS OR SOME OTHER WAY. AND
5 I DON'T KNOW ENOUGH ABOUT IT, BUT I HAVE HAD PEOPLE TELL ME
6 WHO ARE KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT PERSONNEL WHO HAVE LEFT THE
7 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE THAT THERE'S BEEN A SIGNIFICANT EXODUS AND
8 SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO KEEP AN EYE ON.

9

10 **WENDY WATANABE:** WE WILL.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I HAVE MR. KNABE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** IT'S MY UNDERSTANDING THAT THE CURRENT METHODOLOGY
15 THE ASSESSOR'S USING TO DETERMINE THE ROLL VALUE HAS BEEN IN
16 PLACE SINCE 2007. HAS THIS METHODOLOGY ALWAYS BEEN IN PLACE OR
17 IS THERE A CHANGE IN 2007? DOES ANYONE WANT TO ANSWER THAT?

18

19 **JIM SIMON:** THE FORECAST ITSELF HAS BEEN GOING ON FOR 20 YEARS.
20 I CANNOT SPEAK TO ALL THE ASPECTS OF THE METHODOLOGY PRIOR TO
21 2007. BUT I BELIEVE THAT THE FORECAST ITSELF HAS BEEN LARGELY
22 UNDERTAKEN IN A SIMILAR FASHION FOR THE LAST 20 YEARS.

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** AND I KNOW YOU SORT OF ANSWERED SOME OF THIS AS IT
25 RELATES TO WHERE WE ARE, BUT WHAT MY STAFF HAS BEEN TOLD IS



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1 THAT IN PROVIDING THE DECEMBER FORECAST TO THE C.E.O. THAT THE
2 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE DID NOT LOOK AT ANY DATA FROM OCTOBER TO
3 DECEMBER WITH REGARD TO SALES ACTIVITY AND PRICES. IS THAT
4 TRUE? OR WHY WASN'T IT LOOKED AT?

5

6 **JIM SIMON:** AS I SAID, THAT WAS THE CASE. HISTORICALLY THE
7 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE LOOKED AT DATA THROUGH THE THIRD QUARTER OF
8 THE YEAR WHICH ENDS IN SEPTEMBER. IN TERMS OF WHY? THAT IS
9 BECAUSE THE ASSESSOR IS LOOKING AT SALES PRIMARILY FOR THE
10 PURPOSES OF ENROLLMENT OF ASSESSED VALUES AND NOT NECESSARILY
11 PREPARATION OF THE FORECAST.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** BUT WOULDN'T IT BE A CRITICAL PIECE? OR BE PART OF
14 THE DISCUSSION?

15

16 **JIM SIMON:** IT'S ONE OF OUR RECOMMENDATIONS THAT MORE IMMEDIATE
17 DATA GET INCORPORATED INTO THE FORECAST. AND WE UNDERSTAD THAT
18 THEY ARE PLANNING ON DOING THAT.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** BILL, I'M JUST CURIOUS HOW THE ORANGE COUNTY
21 C.E.O. BUDGET PROCESS WORKS WITH THEIR ASSESSMENT ONLY
22 PROVIDING WHAT THE GOVERNMENT COMANDATES AND THAT'S AN
23 EVALUATION BY MAY 15TH. THEY ONLY DO IT ONCE A YEAR, IS THAT
24 CORRECT?

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1 **C.E.O. FUJIOKA:** I'M NOT REAL FAMILIAR WITH THEIR PROCESS.

2

3 **SUP. KNABE:** WE DISCUSSED THIS A LOT TODAY. IT'S CLEAR THAT THE
4 ASSESSOR'S IN THE EVALUATION BUSINESS. THE QUESTION FOR US IS
5 SHOULD THEY BE IN THE FORECASTING BUSINESS? EVALUATION
6 BUSINESS IS A BACKWARDS LOOKING EXERCISE, FORECASTING IS
7 FORWARD LOOKING. WHETHER IT DEALS WITH THE ISSUES OF WHAT MR.
8 YAROSLAVSKY SAID YOU SHOULD BE A PART OF AS IT RELATES TO THE
9 BRAIN DRAIN AND SOME OF THE OTHER STAFFING ISSUES DOWN THERE.
10 I THINK THE CONCERNS SOME OF US HAD VERY EARLY ON WAS STAFFING
11 MOVEMENTS OF NON-ASSESSOR PERSONNEL. I MEAN AT THE END OF THE
12 DAY, YOU CAN POLITICIZE THIS OFFICE ALL YOU WANT. IT IS
13 ELECTED OFFICE. IT'S GOT CONSTITUTIONAL PROTECTION. BUT IT'S A
14 HARDCORE NUMBER GAME. IT'S NOT A POLITICAL OFFICE IN THAT
15 SENSE. AT THE END OF THE DAY, WHAT THEY DO OR DON'T DO IMPACTS
16 ALL OF US, OUR REVENUE BASE FOR A COUNTY, A CITY, SCHOOL
17 DISTRICTS, COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICTS, WHATEVER IT MAY BE. SO
18 THIS IS A VERY, VERY IMPORTANT JOB. AND ONE THAT NEEDS TO HAVE
19 THE RIGHT TECHNICIANS IN PLACE TO BE ABLE TO GET THE ACCURATE
20 INFORMATION THAT WE NEED. I MEAN TO ME THE WHOLE EXERCISE HERE
21 AND I APPRECIATE ALL THE WORK YOU'VE DONE TO CONTINUE TO DO
22 THE AUDIT, AT THE END OF THE DAY YOU'VE GOT THIS PROJECTION
23 BASED ON NO INFORMATION. THEN YOU COME BACK WITH SOME
24 INFORMATION AND IT'S OFF BY OVER A PERCENT, WHICH IS HUNDREDS
25 OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS TO ALL OF US. NOW YOU COME BACK UP AND



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1 SAY WELL IT'S 1.17. SO ALL OF A SUDDEN WE'RE IN A CREDIBILITY
2 POSITION HERE AS WE GO FORWARD. THAT'S WHY I SAY YOU MAY LOOK
3 AT VALUATIONS WHEN WE LOOK AT FORECASTING. BUT WE NEED AS A
4 BOARD TO BE ABLE TO FEEL COMFORTABLE WITH WHAT WE'RE GETTING.
5 I HAVEN'T BEEN AROUND HERE THAT LONG, BUT I'VE BEEN AROUND
6 HERE A LONG TIME BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THAT I REMEMBER A
7 SITUATION LIKE THIS. AND THE IMPACT, I MEAN TO NOT EVEN HAVE
8 THAT OFFICE DISCUSS POTENTIAL DIFFERENCES IN NUMBERS WITH THE
9 C.E.O. WHEN THEY KNOW IN THEIR MINUTE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS IN
10 GOING TO PRINT FOR THE BUDGET IS JUST SOMETHING THAT WE CAN'T
11 STAND BY. WE CANNOT STAND THAT. WE CANNOT ACCEPT THAT OR PUT
12 UP WITH THAT BECAUSE THIS POSITION, THIS OFFICE HAS SUCH AN
13 IMPACT. WELL MAYBE EVEN BELOW THE RADAR MOST OF THE TIME WHEN
14 IT COMES TO BUDGET WHEN IT COMES TO THE REVENUE BASE THAT WE
15 HAVE AS A BOARD TO OPERATE OFF OF. WE'VE GOT ENOUGH PROBLEMS
16 WITH THE STATE AND FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LET ALONE TO HAVE A
17 PROBLEM WITH OUR ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. SO I, TOO, LIKE SUPERVISOR
18 YAROSLAVSKY, ARE WE GOING TO LOOK AT ALL THESE NUMBERS HOW WE
19 DO IT IN THE AUDIT, BUT I STILL THINK THE WHOLE ISSUE OF
20 STAFFING, THE WHOLE ISSUE OF WHO YOU HAVE IN PLACE TO MANAGE
21 THESE NUMBERS, TO FORECAST WHETHER WE SHOULD BE IN THE
22 FORECASTING BUSINESS OR WHETHER WE SHOULDN'T BE. THAT'S
23 ANOTHER THING TO LOOK AT. WE'RE OUT THERE NOW SO WE MIGHT AS
24 WELL LOOK AT EVERYTHING. SO I STILL JUST HAVE SOME VERY STRONG
25 CONCERNS. I APPRECIATE THE UPDATE AND THE WORK THAT EVERYONE



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1 WENT THROUGH AND I'M LOOKING AT WHAT THIS FULL AUDIT WILL
2 SHOW, AS WELL, TOO, BUT AT LEAST WE'VE GOT SOMETHING CURRENT
3 TO WORK FOR. AND I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT WE'RE IN ENOUGH
4 VOLATILE MARKET RIGHT HERE, WE DON'T NEED OUR OWN FOLKS DOING
5 US HARM.

6

7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. ANY OTHER QUESTIONS FROM THE
8 BOARD MEMBERS? YES, MR. RIDLEY-THOMAS.

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10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. CHAIRMAN. I THINK NEED TO
11 DRILL DOWN JUST A TAD BIT MORE ON ONE OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS,
12 NAMELY THAT OF PUTTING TOGETHER OF A TEAM OR A WORKGROUP
13 THAT'S RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TASK OF PROPERTY TAX REVENUE
14 PROJECTION. IN OTHER WORDS, THE CLARIFICATION THAT HAS BEEN
15 WROUGHT NAMELY THAT THE AREA IN WHICH THE ASSESSOR HAS BEEN
16 INVOLVED; NAMELY, THAT OF REVENUE PROJECTION IS NOT THE QUARRY
17 OF COMPETENCE AS EXPECTED PURSUANT TO CHARTER AND OTHERWISE.
18 AND SO I WONDER IF WE SHOULDN'T MAKE IT VERY CLEAR THAT OUR
19 EXPECTATION IS THAT THAT WORK EMANATES FROM THE C.E.O.'S
20 OFFICE AND THE GROUP THAT IS TO BE ASSEMBLED BE SO NAMED FOR
21 THE BENEFIT OF THE BOARD IN TERMS OF WHO THE MEMBERS OF THAT
22 ASSEMBLED GROUP WOULD BE; NAMELY, THE C.E.O. IS TO HEAD IT AND
23 WHO ARE THE OTHER INDIVIDUALS? I THINK THE RECOMMENDATIONS
24 WERE MADE IN THE REPORT. BUT BEYOND THAT, ARE THERE OTHERS?
25 AND WHEN THAT COMES TO OUR ATTENTION SO THAT WE KNOW WHO THEY



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1 ARE AND THEN WE CAN RELY ON, PURSUANT TO THE CONCERNS OF OTHER
2 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, WHO IT IS THAT WE RETURN TO FOR CREDIBLE
3 AND/OR ACCOUNTABLE PROJECTIONS. I WOULD THINK WE NEED TO KNOW
4 THAT IN A TIME-SPECIFIC FRAMEWORK. AND I DON'T KNOW IF THAT
5 HAS BEEN PENNED DOWN. AND MR. CHAIRMAN, I THINK THAT THAT
6 WOULD BE GOOD SO THAT WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING OF WHAT
7 THE GROUP IS, WHO'S LEADING THE GROUP, WHEN THEY WILL REPORT
8 BACK TO US.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND THIS IS A WORKING GROUP ON
11 WHAT SPECIFICALLY? I DIDN'T CATCH THAT.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PROPERTY TAX REVENUE
14 PROJECTIONS SPECIFICALLY

15

16 **WENDY WATANABE:** ON THE FORECAST.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. BUT THE FORECAST, UP UNTIL
19 NOW, I'M JUST TRYING TO FIGURE THIS OUT HERE, UP UNTIL NOW THE
20 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE ANNUALLY HAS DONE A FORECAST.

21

22 **WENDY WATANABE:** CORRECT.

23

24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** AND I DO BELIEVE THAT THE ASSESSOR
25 -- LET ME PUT IT DIFFERENTLY. I THINK THAT ANYBODY WHO WRITES



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1 THE BUDGET FOR THE COUNTY, WHICH IS THE C.E.O., IT'S NOT THIS
2 C.E.O., ANY C.E.O. WOULD HAVE AN INSTITUTIONAL INCENTIVE TO
3 HAVE ROSY SCENARIOS IN TERMS OF FORECASTS AND NOT THAT WE'VE
4 HAD THAT PROBLEM WITH THIS C.E.O., WHICH WE HAVE NOT. BUT I'M
5 JUST THINKING GENERICALLY. THE REASON THE ASSESSOR IF THERE IS
6 A REASON THE ASSESSOR IS AN INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED PERSON IS
7 THAT HE GOES BACK TO THE DAYS WHEN THE ASSESSOR HAD A LOT MORE
8 POWER THAN HE DOES NOW AND SO DOES THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN
9 ASSESSING PROPERTY, IN VALUING PROPERTY. THAT'S WHAT GOT US TO
10 PROP 13 IN 1978. BUT THE REASON HE'S AN INDEPENDENTLY ELECTED
11 OFFICER IS THAT HE'S SUPPOSED TO CALL THEM AS HE SEES THEM OR
12 SHE, HAS TO CALL THEM AS SHE SEES THEM. AND I WOULDN'T WANT
13 WHAT YOU'RE SUGGESTING, MARK, TO OPEN THE DOOR TO THE C.E.O.
14 BEING THE FORECASTER. THE C.E.O. MAKES A FORECAST IN HIS
15 BUDGET BASED UPON THE AMALGAMATION OF INFORMATION HE GETS FROM
16 THE ASSESSOR, FROM THE STATE, FROM U.C.L.A. BUSINESS FORECAST,
17 WHATEVER IT IS. AND HE HAS A CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF DISCRETION
18 TO, I SHOULDN'T SAY CONSIDERABLE, BUT HE HAS SOME DISCRETION
19 AS TO WHOSE COMPETING ESTIMATE AND FORECAST HE CHOOSES TO USE
20 AND HE'S USUALLY BEEN PRETTY DOWN THE MIDDLE. AND THAT'S
21 SERVED US WELL. BUT I WOULDN'T WANT TO TAKE AWAY FROM THE
22 ASSESSOR'S OFFICE THIS PARTICULAR ASSESSOR, BUT THE ASSESSOR'S
23 OFFICE THE ROLE OF FORECASTING AND MAKING THAT FORECAST
24 AVAILABLE TO US, TO THE PUBLIC, TO THE C.E.O., TO ANY OTHER.
25 THAT'S WHAT I'M TRYING TO JUST CLARIFY.



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2 **SUP. KNABE:** THE PROBLEM WAS HE DIDN'T SHARE THAT FORECAST.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I KNOW THAT. THAT WAS A MISTAKE ON
5 HIS PART.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHAT I'M ATTEMPTING TO DO IS DRIVE US BACK
8 TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ANALYSIS OF THE CONSULTANT.

9

10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEP.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHICH ESSENTIALLY MAKES IT CLEAR THAT THE
13 CORE OR THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IS NOT
14 THAT OF FORECASTING BUT, IN FACT, SETTING OF VALUES ON REAL
15 ESTATE PROPERTY AND PERSONAL PROPERTY. SO, GIVEN THE POINT AT
16 WHICH WE FIND OURSELVES AND THE PROBLEM THAT HAS EMANATED
17 PURSUANT TO A LACK OF A SHARED SCENARIO, A RECOMMENDATION, AS
18 I UNDERSTOOD IT, IS PERHAPS THERE SHOULD BE A TEAM THAT IS
19 ASSEMBLED, NOT TAKEN FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE, BUT
20 ESSENTIALLY THAT WOULD CONSTITUTE SOME FORM OF CHECKS AND
21 BALANCES THAT MAYBE WOULD INCLUDE THE ASSESSOR, THE TREASURER
22 TAX COLLECTOR AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER SO THAT THE
23 PROJECTIONS THAT WE DO RECEIVE AND THAT ARE A PART OF THE
24 BUDGET THAT WE ARE RELYING ON IN TERMS OF THE DATA, THE
25 NUMBERS IN THAT BUDGET. WHAT EFFECTIVELY, MR. CHAIRMAN AND



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1 COLLEAGUES, THAT IS BUTTRESSED BY MORE THAN ONE ENTITY WITH
2 SEVERAL SETS OF EYES.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WOULD BE ADDED?

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THERE'S NO REASON WHY THAT SHOULDN'T BE
7 THE CASE. SO THIS IS A WORKING GROUP THAT THEN COMES FORTH.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. CAN I JUST SUGGEST THAT
10 THE C.E.O. COMES BACK WITH FLESHING OUT YOUR IDEA AND SHOW US
11 HOW IT WOULD BE STRUCTURED?

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** RIGHT. THAT'S ESSENTIALLY WHAT I'M CALLING
14 FOR IS TO FURTHER THINK THAT THROUGH.

15

16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I WANT TO SEE IT, HOW IT'S GOING
17 TO OPERATE.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NOW MY UNDERSTANDING IS, AND TELL ME IF
20 I'M REWRITING THE REPORT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THAT WAS AT
21 LEAST EXPLICITLY OR IMPLICITLY ADVANCED IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS
22 UNDER CONSIDERATION. AM I CORRECT? YES, NO, MAYBE SO?

23

24 **JIM SIMON:** THAT'S CORRECT.

25



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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THAT'S CORRECT, SO WHAT I'M REALLY TRYING
2 TO DO, MR. CHAIRMAN, SINCE IT WASN'T ADEQUATELY EXPRESSED
3 BEFORE NOW IS TO MAKE SURE ALL OF US UNDERSTAND THAT THAT IS A
4 DESIRABLE WAY TO GO AND THAT THE C.E.O. SHOULD COME BACK IN
5 COLLABORATION WITH THE SOLE-NAME ENTITY TO GIVE US A SENSE OF
6 HOW IT WOULD IN FACT WORK.

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND A SPECIFIC TIME FRAME WOULD BE USEFUL.
11 30 DAYS OR WHATEVER IS FINE.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH. I'D SAY BRING IT BACK TO THE
14 BOARD MEETING IN FOUR WEEKS.

15

16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EXACTLY.

17

18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** TWENTY-EIGHT DAYS.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD MOVE THAT TO THE POINT YOU DEEM IT
21 APPROPRIATE, MR. CHAIRMAN.

22

23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WITHOUT OBJECTION, THAT WOULD BE
24 ACCEPTED. WE HAVE TWO PEOPLE, THAT WOULD BE THE ORDER, WE HAVE
25 TWO PEOPLE WHO WANTED TO BE HEARD ON THIS BEFORE WE DISPOSE OF



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1 THIS ITEM AND THAT'S JOSEPH TEIXEIRA AND JOHN WALSH? YES,
2 THANK YOU, FOLKS.

3

4 **JOSEPH TEIXEIRA:** GOOD EVENING, SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS JOSEPH
5 TEIXEIRA. MY BOARD MEMBER IS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND MY
6 EXPERIENCE TELLS ME THAT THE ANSWER TO THE DISCUSSION ITEM 74
7 IS THAT, NO, THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE IS NOT DOING A GOOD JOB
8 WITH ASSESSMENTS AND APPEALS. IN 2007 I FILED AN APPEAL AND AT
9 MY INFORMAL HEARING, TWO ASSESSOR'S EMPLOYEES AND THE HEARING
10 OFFICER MISLED ME, INDICATING THAT IF I PROVIDED THEM WITH MY
11 TAX RETURNS TO THE OWNERSHIP DIVISION, MY APPEAL COULD BE
12 RESOLVED. SO I RUSHED TO GATHER THE DOCUMENTS. BUT WHEN I
13 RETURNED, THE EMPLOYEE REFUSED TO EVEN LOOK AT THE RETURNS
14 WITH ME. AND THEN ANOTHER EMPLOYEE LIED TO ME SAYING THAT SHE
15 KNEW FOR A FACT THAT I HAD FILLED OUT MY TAX RETURNS WRONG AND
16 THAT THEY WOULDN'T HELP ME. BUT AFTER SPEAKING TO THE I.R.S.,
17 AND THEY TOLD ME THAT MY RETURNS ARE ACCURATE, I CALLED THE
18 EMPLOYEE BACK FOR AN EXPLANATION, BUT SHE NEVER RETURNED
19 MULTIPLE CALLS. THEN BEFORE MY ACTUAL HEARING, TWO EMPLOYEES
20 OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE AND THE ASSESSOR'S SPECIAL
21 REPRESENTATIVE ACTUALLY SPENT TWO HOURS TRYING TO BADGER ME
22 INTO WITHDRAWING MY APPEAL SAYING THAT IT WOULD ONLY SAVE ME A
23 COUPLE OF HUNDRED DOLLARS A YEAR, WHICH I THINK IS RIDICULOUS.
24 BEFORE ANOTHER HEARING, TWO ASSESSORS' EMPLOYEES LIED ABOUT
25 THE RULES OF EVIDENCE FOR THE APPEALS BOARD TO TRY TO GET ME



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1 TO WITHDRAW MY APPEAL. IF I HADN'T GONE TO THE ASSESSOR'S
2 EDUCATION CLASS, I MIGHT HAVE BELIEVED THEM AND I WOULD HAVE
3 LOST OUT ON THE 70,000 DOLLAR DECREASE IN MY TAXES THAT I
4 ESSENTIALLY GOT. AND UNFORTUNATELY I'VE HAD THREE OR FOUR
5 HEARINGS IN FRONT OF THREE BOARDS, TWO OR THREE BOARDS, AND IT
6 APPEARS THAT THE BOARDS THEMSELVES APPEAR TO SKEW THE APPEAL
7 SYSTEM AGAINST TAXPAYERS. FOR INSTANCE, ONE BOARD PRESSURED ME
8 TO ACTUALLY OBTAIN DOCUMENTS TO HELP THE ASSESSOR'S CASE
9 BECAUSE THE ASSESSOR DIDN'T HAVE THE TIME OR MONEY TO DO SO,
10 ACCORDING TO THE REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASSESSOR HIMSELF.
11 ANOTHER BOARD ACTUALLY REFUSED TO LET ME QUESTION AN
12 ASSESSOR'S EMPLOYEE WHO HAD TESTIFIED. AND ONE BOARD'S
13 JUDGMENT ACTUALLY CITED EVIDENCE NOT PRESENT AT THE HEARING.
14 AND THE ASSESSOR'S SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE ACTUALLY RECUSED
15 THEMSELF AND THE BOARD, LET ME JUST SAY THAT AGAIN, AN ACTUAL
16 BOARD AND THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE ASSESSOR RECUSED
17 THEMSELVES FROM MY CASE COMPLETELY BECAUSE OF MY WRITTEN
18 ALLEGATIONS OF UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT. AT ONE POINT I ASKED
19 THE SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE ASSESSOR WHO I SHOULD
20 CONTACT TO FILE A COMPLAINT AND HE GAVE ME HIS NUMBER. OF
21 COURSE HE DIDN'T SAY IT WAS HIS NUMBER. HE SAID IT WAS
22 SOMEBODY I SHOULD CONTACT. I FILED FOUR OR FIVE COMPLAINTS
23 ONLINE AND IN WRITING AND I'VE NEVER GOTTEN A RESPONSE FROM
24 THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. SO IN CLOSING, IT APPEARS TO ME THAT
25 SOME EMPLOYEES OF THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE HAVE APPARENTLY



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1 DEVELOPED SOME UNETHICAL TACTICS TO KEEP TAXPAYERS FROM
2 PARTICIPATING IN THE APPEALS PROCESS AND FROM GETTING THEIR
3 RIGHTFUL DECREASE IN TAXES. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH?

6

7 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH, BLOGGING AT HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG.
8 JUST WANT TO SAY THAT WE LOVE THE ASSESSOR. KEEP DOING A GOOD
9 JOB. THANK YOU.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO WITHOUT OBJECTION, MR. RIDLEY-
12 THOMAS'S MOTION IS APPROVED. MR. KNABE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I HAVE A MOTION FOR NEXT WEEK THAT I'D LIKE TO
15 READ IN AS IT RELATES TO THIS ISSUE?

16

17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SURE.

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** "THE OFFICE OF OUR ASSESSOR IS CURRENTLY
20 SURROUNDED BY CONTROVERSY AS WE ALL KNOW IN LARGE PART DUE TO
21 THE ASSESSOR'S PERCEIVED INAPPROPRIATE RELATIONSHIP WITH TAX
22 AGENTS. IT'S BEEN REPORTED IN THE PRESS THAT THESE AGENTS HAVE
23 SOLICITED CAMPAIGN DONATIONS FROM THEIR CLIENTS FOR THE
24 ASSESSOR'S ELECTION. LOS ANGELES COUNTY TAX AGENTS REPRESENT
25 AND ADVOCATE FOR PROPERTY OWNERS BOTH BEFORE OUR COUNTY



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1 ASSESSOR AND OUR COUNTY APPEALS BOARD. LIKE LOBBYISTS THEY ARE
2 PAID TO REPRESENT THEIR CLIENTS AND INFLUENCE THEIR DECISIONS
3 AND TOTALLY UNDERSTOOD. BUT THIS PROCESS MUST BE REGULATED AND
4 TRANSPARENT TO THE PUBLIC. OUR COUNTY HAS A VERY EFFECTIVE
5 LOBBYIST ORDINANCE THAT REGULATES WHAT THESE INDIVIDUALS CAN
6 DO. SO I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT OUR OFFICE OF COUNTY
7 COUNSEL TO DRAFT LANGUAGE TO INCLUDE TAX AGENTS OR ANY OTHER
8 PERSON THAT MAY REPRESENT PROPERTY OWNERS BEFORE THE ASSESSOR
9 OR ASSESSMENT APPEALS BOARD UNDER THE COUNTY'S EXISTING LOBBY
10 ORDINANCE CHAPTER 2.160 IN THE COUNTY CODE AND BRING THE
11 PROPOSED LANGUAGE BEFORE THE BOARD IN 15 DAYS" OR IF YOU NEED
12 MORE TIME, JUST AT THAT TIME.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THAT WILL BE FOR NEXT WEEK. ALL
15 RIGHT. DO WE HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT NOW? ARE WE DONE WITH THE
16 CALENDAR? FIRST LET'S GO LANCASTER, KINNZIE TAYLOR? IS ANYBODY
17 IN LANCASTER?

18

19 **KINNZIE TAYLOR:** HELLO, MY NAME IS KINNZIE TAYLOR. I'M A
20 SPECIALIST IN THE ARMY RESERVE. I AM A SISTER OF THE SOLDIER
21 OR THE FORMER ARMY SERGEANT NATHAN TAYLOR WHO WAS MURDERED
22 ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO. MY BROTHER WAS SITTING IN HIS CAR LATE
23 AT NIGHT WAITING FOR MY LITTLE BROTHER. A CAR PULLED UP NEXT
24 TO HIM AND JUST SHOT INTO HIS CAR, SHOT HIM IN HIS CHEST THREE
25 TIMES. HE DIED ABOUT 30 MINUTES LATER. I WANTED TO ASK THE



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1 BOARD TO HELP MY FAMILY PUT UP A REWARD SO WE COULD CAPTURE
2 AND CONVICT THOSE MEN WHO KILLED MY BROTHER. MY BROTHER SERVED
3 TWO TOURS IN IRAQ, ONE TOUR IN AFGHANISTAN. HE SERVED EIGHT
4 YEARS IN THE MILITARY. AND I THINK AND I FEEL THAT HE DESERVES
5 JUSTICE. MY FAMILY NEEDS JUSTICE. WE NEED THE PEOPLE WHO DID
6 THIS TO BE PUT BEHIND BARS. AND I'M ASKING ON BEHALF OF MY
7 FAMILY FOR YOUR HELP.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE WILL DO THAT. WE'LL PREPARE THAT MOTION
12 FOR NEXT WEEK AND WE'LL PUT IN A \$20,000 REWARD FOR
13 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THAT
14 INDIVIDUAL OR INDIVIDUALS.

15

16 **KINNZIE TAYLOR:** THANK YOU SO MUCH.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU.

19

20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** ALL RIGHT. THANK YOU, MISS TAYLOR.
21 WE ALSO HAVE PHARAOH MITCHELL? IS PHARAOH MITCHELL IN
22 LANCASTER?

23

24 **PHARAOH MITCHELL:** GOOD AFTERNOON, YOUR HONORS. I'M PHARAOH
25 MITCHELL FROM THE COMMUNITY ACTION LEAGUE. AND OF COURSE YOU



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1 GUYS KNOW ME AND I WANT TO THANK EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU
2 GUYS FOR THE AWESOME, AWESOME WORK YOU'RE DOING IN OUR
3 COMMUNITY. I AM ALSO HERE ON THE BEHALF OF NATHAN. THIS WAS A
4 HERO. AND HE SURVIVED THREE WARS TO COME HOME TO BE MURDERED
5 IN OUR STREETS. SO WE'RE ASKING, TOO, THAT YOU GUYS WOULD HELP
6 WITH A REWARD. SO I'M JUST HERE TO BACK UP THE SAME THING THAT
7 KINNZIE SAID, THAT IF YOU GUYS COULD PLEASE CONSIDER A REWARD
8 AND HELPING CAPTURE THE PEOPLE WHO MURDERED THIS AMERICAN
9 HERO. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR TIME.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** THANK YOU. AND WE ARE GOING TO DO THAT.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ALL RIGHT. NOW WE'RE
14 BACK HERE. I'M GOING TO CALL FOUR PEOPLE TO COME DOWN AT A
15 TIME. MARO AMIRYAN, JIMMIE TAYLOR. ROSARIO QUINTERO, AND
16 SHANISHA ROBINSON. OKAY. MISS AMIRYAN?

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18 **MARO AMIRYAN:** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISORS. MY NAME IS MARO
19 AMIRYAN, AND I HAVE BEEN AN L.A. COUNTY HOME CARE PROVIDER FOR
20 THREE YEARS. I'M ALSO MEMBER OF U.L.T.C.W. AND RESIDE IN
21 SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH'S DISTRICT. I COME HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT
22 THE LIVING WAGE FOR L.A. COUNTY CAREGIVERS. I'M ALSO PROUD TO
23 BE ABLE TO BE HERE TO DELIVER THESE 30,000 SIGNATURES OF
24 SUPPORT. IT IS AN INCREDIBLE FEELING TO KNOW HOW MUCH SUPPORT
25 WE HAVE FROM COUNTY RESIDENTS. AND I LOOK TO YOU TO EXTEND



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1 THAT SAME SUPPORT BY GRANTING US LIVING WAGE. AS A HOME CARE
2 PROVIDER, I CAN TELL YOU FIRSTHAND THAT IT WOULD MEAN TO
3 RECEIVE A LIVING WAGE. A LIVING WAGE WOULD GIVE ME, MY FAMILY
4 A HANDOUT. IN ADDITION TO LIVING WAGE HELPING WORKERS, IT ALSO
5 HELP OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. IN FACT, THE STUDY BY BEACON ECONOMICS
6 SHOWS HOW GRANTING COUNTY HOME CARE WORKERS WITH A LIVING WAGE
7 IS A TRUE FINANCIAL WIN FOR THE COUNTY. WHILE I'M NOT AN
8 ECONOMIST, THE EXPERTS AT BEACON CLEARLY INDICATED THAT THE 65
9 CENTS RAISE WILL BOOST OUTPUT IN L.A. COUNTY BY 99.8 MILLION
10 DOLLARS, SUPPORT 721 NEW FULL-TIME POSITIONS, BRING IN 36.4
11 MILLION DOLLARS IN LABOR INCOME FOR WORKERS IN L.A. COUNTY AND
12 GENERATE 9.3 MILLION IN GOVERNMENT TAX REVENUE. AND WHEN YOU
13 TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THAT WE, AS A UNION WENT OUT AND FOUND
14 THAT FUNDING FROM THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO COVER THIS RIGHT
15 TO THE COMMUNITY FIRST CHOICE OPTION, THIS IS EVEN MORE OF A
16 WIN/WIN SITUATION FOR A COUNTY. OUR LOCAL BUSINESSES AND
17 GIVERS AND CARE RECIPIENTS. WHY? IT EASY TO GET LOST IN THE
18 ACCOUNTING SPREADSHEET AND THE BUDGET LINE ITEM WHEN IT COMES
19 DOWN TO IT.

20

21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JUST FINISH IF YOU CAN. YOUR TIME
22 IS UP.

23

24 **MARO AMIRYAN:** OKAY. WE ALL KNOW THAT IN HOME CARE, IT'S A COST
25 SAVING PROGRAM FOR TAXPAYERS AND PERHAPS EVEN MORE IMPORTANTLY



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1 A PROGRAM THAT PROVIDES OUR AGING PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS AND
2 DISABLED CHILDREN WITH THE RIGHT TO LIVE SAFELY AT HOME AT THE
3 PLACE THEY WANT TO BE. WE LOVE WHAT WE DO AS CAREGIVERS. AND
4 PERHAPS PEOPLE ARE RIGHT WHEN THEY SAY IT TAKES A SPECIAL
5 PERSON TO DO THE WORK THAT ANOTHER CALLED GOD'S WORK. ALL WE
6 ARE ASKING FOR, SUPERVISORS, IS YOU ALLOW US TO CONTINUE TO DO
7 THIS IMPORTANT WORK WITHOUT HAVING TO WORRY EVEN MUCH ABOUT
8 WHETHER TO PAY THE ELECTRIC BILL OR THE LANDLORD. THIS CAN BE
9 ACHIEVED BY SUPPORTING A LIVING WAGE NOW.

10

11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

12

13 **MARO AMIRYAN:** THANK YOU.

14

15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** JIMMIE TAYLOR?

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17 **JIMMIE TAYLOR** GOOD AFTERNOON, SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS JIMMIE
18 **TAYLOR.** AND I'VE BEEN AN L.A. COUNTY CAREGIVER FOR FOUR YEARS.
19 **I AM ALSO A PROUD MEMBER OF THE UNITED LONG TERM CARE WORKERS**
20 **UNION. I LIVE IN THE SUPERVISOR'S FOURTH DISTRICT. I ALONG**
21 **WITH A FEW OF MY COWORKERS ARE HERE TODAY ON BEHALF OF 128,000**
22 **L.A. COUNTY IN HOME CARE WORKERS, AN ESTIMATE OF 155,000 IN**
23 **HOME COUNTY SENIORS AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITY WHO RELY ON US**
24 **TO ASSIST THEM WITH THEIR MOST BASIC DAILY NEEDS IN ORDER TO**
25 **LIVE SAFELY AT HOME. WE ARE HERE TO ASK THAT YOU VOTE IN FAVOR**



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1 OF THE PUBLIC AUTHORITY RECOMMENDATION TO GRANT US A LIVING
2 WAGE AS PART OF OUR CONTRACT NEGOTIATION. AND IF THE VOICE OF
3 280,000 COUNTY CAREGIVERS WASN'T EVEN ENOUGH, TODAY WE BRING
4 YOU MORE. TODAY WE ARE DELIVERING OVER 30,000 PETITIONS
5 SUPPORTED, SIGNED BY L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO UNDERSTAND THE
6 IMPORTANCE OF GRANTING HOME CARE PROVIDERS A LIVING WAGE AND
7 ARE IN FULL SUPPORT OF DOING SO. WE ARE CALLING OUR CONTRACT
8 CAMPAIGN "L.A. WIN" BECAUSE THAT IS EXACTLY WHAT IT DOES. BY
9 PROVIDING HOME CARE PROVIDERS WITH A LIVING WAGE OF \$9.65
10 EVERYONE WINS. CAREGIVERS ARE ABLE TO PROVIDE THE FAMILIES AND
11 THEREFORE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO DO THIS WITH WORK CARE RECEPTION
12 ARE PUT AT EASE KNOWING THAT THEY ARE NOT AT RISK OR LOSING
13 THEIR SENIORS OUT OF COUNTY EMERGENCY ROOM AND GAINING REVENUE
14 FOR THE COUNTY GENERATED BY THIS INCREASE. SUPERVISORS, I TAKE
15 CARE OF MY AUNT. SHE'S 76 YEARS OLD. SHE'S BLIND. SHE'S
16 DISABLED. SHE CAN'T WALK. SHE IS 'MENTALLY DISORDERED. SHE HAS
17 A MIND OF A FIVE-YEAR OLD. AND THERE'S OTHER HEALTH PROBLEMS
18 SHE HAS. SUPERVISORS, WE ARE--

19
20 >>SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: I WILL ASK YOU TO WRAP IT UP
21 BECAUSE WE'RE RUNNING OVERTIME.

22
23 JIMMIE TAYLOR: THIS IS MY CLOSING. SUPERVISORS, WE ASK THAT
24 YOU HEAR OUR VOICE AND THE VOICES OF 30,000 RESIDENTS WHO HAVE



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1 SIGNED A PETITION TO SUPPORT BY GRANTING US THE BARE MINIMUM
2 NEEDED IN OUR LIVING IN L.A.

3

4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ROSARIO QUINTERO?

5

6 **ROSARIO QUINTARO:** [SPEAKING [SPANISH]].

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** UNO MEMENTO, LET'S GET A
9 TRANSLATION.

10

11 **SPEAKER:** HI, MY NAME IS ROSARIO AND I HAVE BEEN A HOME CARE
12 WORKER FOR SIX YEARS. I AM A MEMBER OF U.L.T.C.W. AND I LIVE
13 IN GLORIA MOLINA'S DISTRICT. I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU TO
14 SUPPORT THE RECOMMENDATION THAT THE PUBLIC AUTHORITY MADE AND
15 GIVE US THE L.A. COUNTY LIVING WAGE. SO I ALSO WANT TO THANK
16 MORE THAN 30,000 PEOPLE FROM OUR COMMUNITY WHO SUPPORT US WITH
17 THEIR SIGNATURES. SO BEING A HOME CARE WORKER IS REALLY HARD.
18 PHYSICALLY AND MENTALLY. IT IS VERY STRESSFUL. WE NEED TO MAKE
19 SURE THAT THOSE THAT WE TAKE CARE OF, THEY CAN REMAIN AT HOME
20 RECEIVING GOOD QUALITY CARE AT THEIR HOMES. SO OUR MOST
21 STRESSFUL WAY IS WHEN WE RECEIVED SOME BILLS AND NOTIFICATIONS
22 FROM LATE PAYMENTS, OR WHAT IS EVEN WORSE WHEN WE GET OUR
23 SERVICE CUT. SO THERE IS TWO TYPES OF STRESS ACCORDING TO
24 U.C.L.A. STUDIES. THEY ARE CALLED, NUMBER 1, STRESS AND
25 STRAPPED AND NUMBER 2 IS HIDDEN IN PLAIN SIGHT. SO THESE TWO



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1 STUDIES HAVE SHOWN THAT THERE IS A VERY HIGH RATE OF PROVIDERS
2 WITH STRESS. THE SAME LIKE ME, THAT WE RECEIVE VERY POOR
3 WAGES.

4

5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M GOING TO ASK, I'VE GIVEN YOU
6 FOUR MINUTES NOW. ASK HER TO WRAP IT UP WITH ONE MORE
7 SENTENCE, OKAY? AND I'M GOING TO REALLY HOLD TO THE TIME LIMIT
8 FROM THIS POINT FORWARD.

9

10 **ROSARIO QUINTERO:** [SPEAKING SPANISH]

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** SUPERVISORS, I'M HERE TODAY TO ASK YOU FOR YOUR
15 SUPPORT SO THAT WE TOGETHER CAN CHANGE THE STATISTICS AND YOU
16 CAN BE THE LEADERS THAT ARE GOING TO MAKE SURE OUR COMMUNITY
17 RECEIVES BETTER QUALITY CARE AT HOME. THANK YOU.

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19 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. SHANISHA ROBINSON.

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21 **SHANISHA ROBINSON:** HI, GOOD AFTERNOON, MY NAME IS SHANISHA
22 ROBINSON AND I'VE BEEN A HOME CARE WORKER FOR U.L.T.C.W. AND
23 I'VE BEEN A HOME CARE WORKER FOR 10 OR MORE YEARS. I SERVE IN
24 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S DISTRICT. AS YOU SEE, WE HAVE OVER 3,000
25 PETITIONS HERE IN FRONT OF YOU. AS HOME CARE WORKERS WE HAVE



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1 TO RECYCLE OUR BOTTLES TO MAKE ENDS MEET. AND IT'S VERY HARD
2 FOR US AS HOME CARE WORKERS. I'M GOING TO WRAP IT UP BY SAYING
3 AT LEAST A LITTLE BIT OF TIME, BUT THE MOST IMPORTANT REASON
4 I'M HERE IS TO SAY THAT WE ARE FIGHTING FOR A LIVING WAGE
5 RIGHT NOW AND WE'RE ASKING FOR YOUR GUYS' SUPPORT. I KNOW WHEN
6 YOU WERE ELECTED, YOU WERE HAPPY ABOUT HOW YOU GUYS FELT. WE
7 WANT TO BE HAPPY FOR WHAT WE DO AND HOW MUCH MONEY WE RAISE,
8 TOO. SO I ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT, YOU BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
9 SUPPORT US AS HOME CARE WORKERS, WE'RE ONLY MAKING NINE
10 DOLLARS AN HOUR. WE'RE ONLY ASKING FOR A RAISE OF 65 CENTS A
11 RAISE. ALL THE PETITIONS YOU HAVE IN FRONT MUCH YOU GUYS, I
12 HOPE YOU CAN SEE THEM, READ THEM, ACKNOWLEDGE THEM FOR THE
13 HARD WORK THAT WE DO, WE'RE NOT BEING RECOGNIZED FOR WHAT WE
14 DO. WE'RE JUST ASKING FOR THAT SUPPORT AND THAT RECOGNITION
15 THAT YOU GUYS GET FROM ONE ANOTHER.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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19 **SHANISHA ROBINSON:** THANK YOU.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HRIPSAMIMI TAMAYZAN, HOW BAD DID I
22 BUTCHER THE NAME?

23

24 **HRIPSAMIMI TAMAYZAN:** [SPEAKING FOREIGN LANGUAGE]

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1 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON SUPERVISOR. MY NAME IS HRIPSAMIMI
2 TAMAYZAN AND I'VE BEEN AN IN HOME CAREGIVER FOR ABOUT NINE
3 YEARS. I'M ALSO A PROUD MEMBER OF U.L.T.C.W. AND I LIVE IN
4 SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY'S DISTRICT. I'M ALSO A MEMBER OF
5 THE U.L.T.C.W. BARGAINING TEAM. AS YOU KNOW, OUR CONTRACT
6 EXPIRED BACK IN 2008. DUE TO THE STATE OF THE ECONOMY THEN, WE
7 AGREED TO CONTINUE TO WORK UNDER OUR OLD CONTRACT. TODAY,
8 ALTHOUGH THE ECONOMY IS GETTING STRONGER, WE RECOGNIZE THAT
9 TIMES ARE STILL DIFFICULT. AND WHILE THE COUNTY ISN'T FACING
10 THE SAME CHALLENGES AS THE STATE, WE FELT IT WAS OUR
11 RESPONSIBILITY TO NOT JUST ASK FOR A LIVING WAGE BUT TO HELP
12 FIND THE FUNDING NECESSARY TO HELP COVER IT. THAT'S EXACTLY
13 WHAT WE DID. BY WORKING WITH THE STATES TO APPLY FOR MONEY
14 OFFERED THROUGH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT'S COMMUNITY FIRST
15 CHOICE OPTION, TENS OF MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WILL BE AVAILABLE
16 TO FUND EXPENSES SPECIFIC TO LONG TERM CARE SERVICES.
17 THROUGHOUT THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS, WE WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE
18 PUBLIC AUTHORITY TO COME TO AN AGREEMENT THAT HELPS LIFT
19 CAREGIVERS UP OUT OF POVERTY, STABILIZES THE HOME CARE
20 WORKFORCE TO MEET CURRENT AND FUTURE DEMANDS AND BRING SAVINGS
21 TO THE COUNTY. IT'S VERY HARD TO LIVE ON NINE DOLLARS AN HOUR
22 WAGE. WHILE SOME MAY ASK HOW 65 CENTS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE, I
23 CAN TELL YOU IT WILL MAKE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD. FOR
24 EXAMPLE, IT WILL COVER MY BILLS. NOW WE ASK THAT YOU SUPPORT



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1 THE RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE PUBLIC AUTHORITY BY STANDING
2 WITH US AND SUPPORTING A LIVING WAGE NOW. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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4 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU ALL.

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6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET ME CALL FOUR PEOPLE UP.

9 LEONARD ROSE. MICHAEL CORNELIUS. ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD SACHS.

10 MR. ROSE?

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12 **LEONARD ROSE:** I HERE TO TALK ABOUT THE ACCESS SERVICE I GOT
13 ABOUT THREE MONTHS AGO. IT DID WORK BUT MARCH 2012 AND APRIL,
14 YOU KNOW. AND I CALLED FOR MY FRIEND THAT CALLED THIS NUMBER
15 HERE TO READ ALL THE NUMBERS AND SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER AND
16 FOUR PIN NUMBER AND WE CALLED THIS LADY AND SEE TO COMPUTER
17 AND IT DIDN'T WORK ON M.T.A. BUS. AND IT RING ALARM, YOU KNOW.
18 AND IT DON'T WORK. AND THEN I GO TO CENTER FOR INDEPENDENT
19 LIVING AND APRIL 30TH AND I TRY TO CALL UP THIS LADY AND THIS
20 LADY GOT ON COMPUTER AND WE DO THE SAME WAY LIKE MY FRIEND DID
21 AND NOT GET ANYWHERE. AND SO WHAT I SHOULD DO TO GO ASK THE
22 SERVICE IN EL MONTE COMPANY, YOU KNOW? AND I NEED TO SEE WHO
23 IN CHARGE ASK THE SERVICE TO GET THE TAB CARD TO GET IT
24 WORKING ON A BUS. SO WHAT I DO?

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SOMEBODY WILL GIVE YOU A CONTACT
2 PERSON TO GO TO.

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4 **LEONARD ROSE:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** CAN SOMEBODY HELP MR. ROSE?
7 PERHAPS SOMEBODY FROM SUPERVISOR MOLINA'S OFFICE CAN ASSIST
8 YOU. APPRECIATE THAT, TONY. MICHAEL CORNELIUS HERE? BEFORE WE
9 GET TO MR. PREVEN, JOSEPH TEIXEIRA, DAVID ABBER? IS DAVID
10 ABBER HERE? YES? OKAY. MR. PREVEN?

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** YEAH, MY NAME IS ERIC PREVEN AND I AM THE COUNTY
13 RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND MICHAEL CORNELIUS WAS HERE
14 EARLIER ON THAT ITEM HAVING TO DO WITH A.M. CLASSIC
15 CONSTRUCTION, WHICH I GOT TO TELL YOU, I TOOK A LOOK AT SOME
16 OF THAT INFORMATION MYSELF. YOU KNOW, THE COUNTY REVIEWING ITS
17 OWN CONDUCT, WHETHER IT BE A PUBLIC WORKS OR INSIDE THE
18 SHERIFF'S DIVISION, THERE'S A LIMIT TO HOW MUCH OF THAT THAT
19 THE PUBLIC FEELS COMFORTABLE WITH GIVEN WHERE WE ARE NOW.
20 WE'VE HEARD THERE'S A BRAIN DRAIN DOWN AT THE ASSESSOR'S
21 OFFICE, AS WELL. NOW WE ALSO CONCURRENTLY TO THE QUESTION
22 ABOUT THESE BIG NUMBER DISCREPANCIES ARE FACING INVESTIGATION
23 INTO MR. NOGUEZ'S CONDUCT AND KNOWING THAT THERE ARE NUMEROUS
24 SENIOR DEPUTIES OUT AND ABOUT, BOY, I MEAN THAT IS NOT
25 PARTICULARLY ENCOURAGING. AND LET ME TELL YOU WHAT ELSE IS NOT



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1 ENCOURAGING AND I RARELY GET ANGRY WITH YOU GUYS BECAUSE I
2 RESPECT YOU SO MUCH. AND CONGRATULATIONS BY THE WAY ON THE
3 TIMES ENDORSEMENT. LISTEN, THESE MEETINGS ARE TRANSCRIBED AND
4 MADE INTO TRANSCRIPTS AND IT COSTS VIRTUALLY NOTHING, OKAY?
5 SACHI HAMAI DOES NOT HAVE THE DISCRETION TO DECIDE THAT A
6 SPECIAL MEETING MEANS THERE WILL BE NO TRANSCRIPT MADE. AND
7 NEITHER DO YOU, SUPERVISOR YAROSLAVSKY. AND NEITHER DOES
8 MIRIAM KRINSKY OR THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON JAIL VIOLENCE,
9 WHO COINCIDENTALLY IS A COLLECTION OF JUDGES AND PRO BONO
10 FANCY LAWYERS WHO HAVE DONE WHAT THEY'VE DONE OVER THE PAST 20
11 YEARS AS WE FACED SERIOUS CRISES IN OUR JAILS. AND SUPERVISOR
12 MOLINA, WHO DOES NOT EVEN HAVE THE DIGNITY TO SIT IN THIS ROOM
13 WITH SOME OF US TODAY FOR SOME REASON, WHICH IS SURPRISING TO
14 ME, MAKES A MOTION AFTER THE SHERIFF LEAVES. I ASKED A
15 REASONABLE QUESTION AND YOU ALL IGNORED ME. WOULDN'T EVEN LET
16 ME HEAR THE S-1 ITEM AND THE QUESTION WAS: ARE WE OR ARE WE
17 NOT DEALING WITH THE MEN'S CENTRAL JAIL THAT SHERIFF BACA
18 ANNOUNCED SOME WEEKS AGO? I MEAN I'M JUST SO INSULTED BY YOU
19 AND NOW YOU'LL CUT ME OFF IMMEDIATELY, EXACTLY. WHEREAS YOU'LL
20 ALLOW THE UNION, WHO ARE GREAT PEOPLE, TO CONTINUE FOR TWO,
21 THREE, FOUR MINUTES BECAUSE OF THEIR STORY, I AGREE, I AGREE.
22 YOU HAVE TO USE YOUR DISCRETION BUT USE IT JUDICIOUSLY.
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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I USE IT VERY JUDICIOUSLY. THE
2 UNION COMES HERE EVERY YEAR AND YOU COULD HAVE HERE EVERY WEEK
3 SEVERAL TIMES A DAY.

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5 **ERIC PREVEN:** YOU SHOULD SAY "THANK YOU, MR. PREVEN, FOR PAYING
6 CARING." YOU SHOULD SAY "THANK YOU FOR PAYING ATTENTION."

7

8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OH I AM SO GRATEFUL. I AM VERY
9 GRATEFUL.

10

11 **ERIC PREVIN:** YOU SHOULD PAY BETTER ATTENTION YOURSELF. THERE'S
12 A LOT OF PAPERWORK. WE ALL KNOW IT.

13

14 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU.

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16 **ERIC PREVIN:** AND THANK YOU.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. SACHS?

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20 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU AND I ALSO REALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR
21 UNDIVIDED ATTENTION, BOZO. AND I ALSO READ THE ENDORSEMENT
22 FROM THE TIMES. THERE IS SOMETHING VERY WRONG WITH THE
23 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
24 SUPERVISORS AND THE VOTERS WHO ELECT THEM. ACTUALLY WHAT'S
25 WRONG IS BETWEEN THE RELATIONSHIP AND THE BOARD IS THAT



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1 RELATIONSHIP AND THE PEOPLE THAT REPORT ON THE ACTIONS OF THE
2 BOARD BECAUSE SOMETIMES THE PUBLIC JUST GETS LULLED TO SLEEP
3 BY WHAT'S NOT TOLD OR WHAT IS TOLD AND THE STORIES THAT ARE
4 MADE UP BY THE BOARD. AND SPEAKING OF STORIES, DID YOU HAPPEN
5 TO READ THIS NEW YORK TIMES ARTICLE ON THE 14TH, "THE YAHOO
6 CHIEF STEPS DOWN AMID SCANDAL"? IMAGINE, HE MADE UP A STORY
7 REGARDING HIS CREDENTIALS AND IT WAS FOUND OUT, IT WAS
8 PUBLICIZED. AND NOW HE HAS TO STEP DOWN AS CHIEF OF YAHOO. AND
9 THEN IT WAS THIS STORY. "THE CHEMICAL MAKER FANS FLAMES OF
10 FEAR. THE STAR WITNESS, DAVID HEMBLOCK," THIS IS FROM THE
11 12TH, "TOLD LEGISLATORS STORIES THAT IT TURNS OUT DIDN'T
12 EXIST" AND WHY YOU MIGHT ASK DO I BRING THAT UP? BECAUSE
13 HERE'S A MOTION MADE BY DIRECTORS MOLINA, _____, ANTONOVICH
14 AND LOWENTHAL, WHERE AS EXISTING LAW ESTABLISHES THE LOS
15 ANGELES TO PASADENA METRO BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY.
16 NO, NO IT NEVER DID. DOESN'T, DIDN'T, NEVER DID. LAW MADE THE
17 BLUE LINE CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. LAW MADE THE GOLD LINE
18 CONSTRUCTION AUTHORITY. PAYING ATTENTION AS USUAL. BUT NEVER
19 MADE THIS. SO LYING, CHEATING AND STEALING, THAT'S A BOARD
20 REGULAR, THAT'S HOW WE ROLL AS THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
21 IN L.A.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. JOSEPH TEIXEIRA?

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1 **JOSEPH TEIXEIRA:** THANK YOU AGAIN. GOOD DAY TO THE SUPERVISORS.
2 NOT AGENDA ITEM BUT IT HAS TO DO WITH THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE. I
3 WANT TO CONDEMN THE WAY THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE CALCULATES THE
4 TAXES ON RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES WITH MORE THAN ONE BASE YEAR
5 VALUE. I WANT THE BOARD TO IMAGINE THAT THERE'S A STORE THAT
6 CAN ONLY CHARGE FAIR MARKET VALUE, LET'S SAY ONE DOLLAR FOR AN
7 APPLE AND SOME PEOPLE GET COUPONS FOR FIFTY CENTS OFF AN APPLE
8 BUY TWO APPLES AND GIVE THEM FIFTY PERCENT OFF KNOWING THAT
9 THE TWO APPLES SHOULD COST ONE DOLLAR FIFTY, ONE FOR ONE
10 DOLLAR AND ONE FOR FIFTY CENTS. HOWEVER THE STORE CHARGES ME
11 TWO DOLLARS I SAID "HEY, I HAD A COUPON FOR FIFTY PERCENT OFF
12 AN APPLE." AND THE STORE SAYS "WE GAVE YOU ONE APPLE FOR FIFTY
13 CENTS BUT THE OTHER COSTS ONE DOLLAR FIFTY." AND I SAY "HEY
14 THE LAW SAYS YOU CAN ONLY CHARGE ME A DOLLAR PER APPLE." BUT
15 THEN THE STORE TELLS ME THAT THEY GAVE ME ONE APPLE FOR FIFTY
16 CENTS AND THAT THE TWO APPLES TOGETHER ONLY COST ME TWO
17 DOLLARS, WHICH IS AN AVERAGE OF NOT MORE THAN A DOLLAR APIECE
18 SO THEY SATISFIED BOTH REQUIREMENTS. IT SOUNDS CROOKED. IT
19 SOUNDS LIKE NOBODY SHOULD BE ABLE TO DO IT BUT THAT'S THE WAY
20 THE ASSESSOR ASSESSES HOMES WITH MULTIPLE BASE YEARS LIKE
21 MINE. I HAD PARTIAL OWNERSHIP ON A HOME. AND THEN BOUGHT THE
22 REST IN 2007. I HAVE ONE BASE YEAR IN THE 1970S AND ONE IN
23 2007. NOW, THE ASSESSOR TOLD ME THAT MY HOUSE ONLY IS VALUED
24 AT ABOUT 270,000. BUT BECAUSE MY 1970S BASE VALUE, THE FIFTY
25 PERCENT OFF COUPON, IS SO LOW, THE ASSESSOR CONTINUES TO



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1 INCREASE MY 2007 BASE VALUE, WHICH WAS ESTABLISHED AT THE
2 HEIGHT OF THE REAL ESTATE BUBBLE, UP ABOUT 6,000 DOLLARS A
3 YEAR EVEN THOUGH THE VALUE OF MY HOME HAS BEEN GOING DOWN FOR
4 FIVE YEARS. AND THE ASSESSOR'S STATED REASON FOR USING THIS
5 COMPLETELY INACCURATE, ARTIFICIALLY INFLATED VALUE OF 570,000
6 DOLLARS FOR A HOME THAT THEY SAY IS ONLY WORTH 270 IS SIMPLY
7 BECAUSE MY OTHER TAX VALUE IS SO LOW. JUST LIKE THE APPLES.

8

9 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. APPRECIATE IT. BEFORE
10 DAVID ABBER SPEAKS, LET ME CALL DOWN THREE OTHER PEOPLE. IRENE
11 PANG. LYLE TALBOT. IS MR. TALBOT HERE? OKAY. AND JON NAHHAS?
12 IS HE HERE? SHELIAH WARD? IS SHE HERE? OSCAR JOHNSON? HE'S
13 HERE. OKAY. MR. ABBER?

14

15 **DAVID ABBER:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. IT'S BEEN A LONG MORNING.
16 GOOD AFTERNOON TO EVERYBODY, STAFF AND CITIZENS. I WAS HERE A
17 WHILE BACK, ABOUT A YEAR OR SO AGO. I WAS ATTACKED BY THE
18 MAYOR OF LANCASTER, REX PARRIS. WHEN I CAME BEFORE THIS BOARD
19 AND I CONTACTED MY SUPERVISOR, MR. ANTONOVICH, WITH
20 CORRESPONDENCE TO GO TO MR. COOLEY. I THINK MAYBE PART OF THE
21 PROBLEM IS MR. COOLEY AND MR. PARRIS DONATE TO EACH OTHER'S
22 CAMPAIGN AND POSSIBLY THAT COULD, IF WE COULD TAKE THAT OUT OF
23 THE EQUATION, IT MIGHT HELP. BUT I'VE GOTTEN NO WRITTEN
24 RESPONSE BUY THEM. THEY WOULDN'T EVEN CONFIRM THEY RECEIVED
25 MR. ANTONOVICH'S CORRESPONDENCE AND STUFF, WHICH TROUBLES ME.



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1 SO I'M HERE TODAY, I HAD A CHANCE TO SPEAK WITH SHERIFF BACA.
2 HE ASSURED ME THAT I WILL GET THE SHERIFF'S REPORT THAT I'VE
3 BEEN TRYING TO GET FOR A YEAR AND A HALF. AS I SIT HERE AND
4 READ THE THINGS ON THE WALL ABOUT THE GOVERNMENT BY THE
5 PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE, OF THE PEOPLE AND SHOULDN'T PERISH,
6 WELL IN LANCASTER IT'S NOT SAFE FOR ME TO BE ON THE STREETS.
7 TODAY'S MY BIRTHDAY. I SHOULD BE OUT CELEBRATING. BUT I CAN'T
8 BE CELEBRATING WHEN MY CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS ARE TRAMPLED ON
9 AND I CAN'T GET JUSTICE. HOPEFULLY THIS BODY CAN DO SOMETHING
10 TO STEP UP TO RESTORE THOSE RIGHTS. THAT'S ABOUT ALL I GOT TO
11 SAY, THANK YOU.

12

13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU MR. ABBER. IRENE PANG?

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15 **IRENE PANG:** HI. I'M IRENE. I CONCERNED ONE OF MY CASE HAVE
16 BEEN HANDLED IN TRIAL CONCENTRATED BY CIVILIAN COURT OF
17 CALIFORNIA. AND THE CALIFORNIA [INAUDIBLE] IN THE CITIES AND
18 OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. I READ THE CASE BUT I DID NOT RECEIVE FROM
19 DAMAGE OF MY HEALTH COVERING. I DON'T GET MY COVERAGE TAKEN. I
20 SUFFER FROM THE [INAUDIBLE] THAT CAUSED BY THE VIRUS. I NEED
21 INJECTION TO HEALING THE VIRUS. THE VIRUS HAD ATTACKED BY TAKE
22 THE FOOD TWO WEEKS AGO AND IN ADDITION THE VIRUS ARE RESULTS.
23 THE VIRUS RECEIVES MY OLD MECHANICAL AND THE CHEMICAL
24 TREATMENT. I'M REQUIRED INJECTION TO HEALING THE DISEASE. I
25 HANDLE THINGS IN GOOD MODEL AND WITH [INAUDIBLE] BUT NOT TO



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1 ANY HEALTH AND BEHAVIOR PROBLEM EXCEPT THE VIRUS ATTACK.
2 SOMEONE HAVE BEEN [INAUDIBLE] INVENTION TO OUR NATION AND
3 INTENTIONALLY DAMAGED MY IMAGE BY THE BATTERY. IF BATTERY
4 INCLUDE THE ACTION WHEN I STOP THE REVELATION ARREST ME AND
5 LOCK ME IN THE JAIL AND TIES AND ATTEMPT [INAUDIBLE] AROUND
6 ME. I ASKED NOT TO DAMAGE MY IMAGE. I APPRECIATE YOUR
7 UNDERSTANDING AND YOUR SUPPORT. NUMBER FOUR, MY FAMILY MEMBERS
8 AND ME IS [INAUDIBLE] COUNTRY. I AND WE HAVE BEEN AND MY
9 FRIENDS HAVE BEEN DOING OUR BEST. WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT.
10 YOU ARE THE ATTACK ON THE DAMAGE OR THE IMAGE. THANK YOU.

11

12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. BEFORE YOU START, IS
13 ETHEL JOHNSON HERE? COME ON DOWN. ROBIN BRACKEN? ROBIN BRACKEN
14 HERE? COME ON DOWN? MR. TALBOT?

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16 **LYLE TALBOT:** THANK YOU. I HAVE HERE A NEWSPAPER ANTELOPE
17 VALLEY, WEDNESDAY APRIL 18TH. AND DOWN HERE'S AN ARTICLE THAT
18 APPEARED ON APRIL THE FOURTH OF YOUR ACTION TO GIVE PAROLEES
19 AND PROBATIONERS TO GO TO THE HEAD OF THE LINE FOR "SUCTION 8"
20 HOUSING AS I CALLED IT, NOT "SECTION" 8, IT'S "SUCTION". AND
21 WE LOVE POPPIES UP THERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. BUT THEY
22 DON'T LIKE PRISONERS AND PAROLEES, PROBATIONERS. SO I'D LIKE
23 TO PUBLICLY THANK YOU FOR ON BEHALF OF THE HOMELESS PAROLEES,
24 PROBATIONERS LIKE MYSELF FOR PUTTING US AT THE HEAD OF THE
25 LINE FOR SUCTION 8 HOUSING INSTEAD OF THOSE VETERANS AND



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1 HANDICAP FOLKS AND THOSE SENIOR CITIZENS WHO ARE MOSTLY
2 SENILE, ANYWAY. WOULD IT BE ASKING TOO MUCH IF WE COULD ALSO
3 GET A MONTHLY STIPEND? SOME FOOD STAMPS AND ALSO TO FURNITURE
4 VOUCHERS? AND OF COURSE A FLAT SCREEN TV? AND A SPECIAL NO
5 THANKS TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH WHO DOES NOT SEEM TO CARE SO
6 MUCH FOR US THAT CONVICTS THAN THE REST OF YOU FOUR DO. BUT I
7 SEE HE'S MAKING SOME HEADLINES LATER ON AFTER YOUR FOLLY OF
8 APRIL 4TH. AND I APPRECIATE THAT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OSCAR JOHNSON?

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12 **OSCAR JOHNSON:** YES. MY NAME AN OSCAR. I SPEAK FOR THE
13 OPPRESSED. I SPEAK FOR THE STRUGGLING POOR AND I SPEAK FOR
14 CULTURAL CHANGE. I'D LIKE TO THANK THE MOST HIGH GOD FOR
15 PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA. I THANK GOD FOR THE OBAMA FAMILY. I'D
16 LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT TRUE RELIGION. I'D LIKE TO SPEAK ABOUT
17 SOCIAL EDUCATION. IT'S A MUST THAT BLACK AMERICA COME TO THE
18 TRUE RELIGION. IT IS A MUST THAT THE BLACK AMERICA LEARN
19 SOCIAL EDUCATION. CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES SAY MARRY
20 MALE AND FEMALE, FAMILY FIRST. CITIZENSHIP AND NON-
21 CITIZENSHIP. CHILDREN BORN OUTSIDE OF WEDLOCK HAVE NO VOICE.
22 CHILDREN BORN OUTSIDE WEDLOCK IS NON-CITIZENSHIP. THIS STARTED
23 IN THE 1800S WHEN THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN AMERICA WAS
24 MARRIED WHEN THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE IN AMERICA WAS
25 EDUCATED. AND I WAS SURPRISED WHEN I READ AN LOS ANGELES



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1 ARTICLE NEWSPAPER ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO THAT SAID THAT CHILDREN
2 BORN OUTSIDE WEDLOCK HAVE NO VOICE, THEY'RE NONCITIZEN AND
3 THEY COULD NOT VOTE, THEY COULD NOT GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL THAT
4 THE CHILDREN WENT TO THAT HAD PARENTS, THEY COULD NOT
5 PARTICIPATE IN ANYTHING WITH CHILDREN THAT HAD PARENTS. THEY
6 WERE LOOKED AT AS OUTCASTS THESE WORDS MIGHT BE GRAPHIC BUT
7 IT'S THE TRUTH. THE FEMALE BORN OUTSIDE THE WEDLOCK THEY CALL
8 HIM A BITCH, THE MALE BORN OUTSIDE WEDLOCK IS CALLED A
9 BASTARD. IT IS A MUST THAT AMERICA BECOME SOCIALLY EDUCATED.
10 DAVID WALKER HE FOUND THE FIRST PRESIDENT OF AMERICA IN 1840.
11 IN THE BIOGRAPHY OF DAVID WALKER HE SAID "IT WOULD BE BEST FOR
12 THE EX-SLAVES TO BE LEFT ALONE THAN TO HEAR THE WORD
13 'CHRISTIANITY'". HE SAID IT WOULD BE BEST FOR EX SLAVES TO BE
14 LEFT ALONE THAN TO HEAR THE WORD CHRISTIANITY. THE HOLES THAT
15 THE POLITICIANS ARE DIGGING FOR OTHER PEOPLE IT'S TIME FOR THE
16 POLITICIANS TO FALL INTO THE HOLES THEMSELVES. IT'S TIME FOR
17 AMERICA TO CHANGE THE GUARDS BECAUSE IT'S FROM A POLITICAL
18 ORDER IS NOT GETTING IT. WE SHOULD DESTROY THE POLITICAL
19 ORDER. WE SHOULD BRING IN A NEW GOVERNMENT TO AMERICA. WE
20 SHOULD OVERTHROW THIS GOVERNMENT. WE SHOULD SPREAD THE SHARIA
21 ACROSS AMERICA. WITH SHARIA ACROSS AMERICA, WE COULD CHANGE
22 AMERICA FROM THE BEAST TO THE BEAUTIFUL.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. ETHEL JOHNSON?

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1 **ETHEL JOHNSONR:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT I
2 EXPERIENCED QUITE A BIT, I'VE EXPERIENCED WORKING FOR ALL FIVE
3 DISTRICTS OF THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND I'VE GOTTEN
4 OLDER AND WISER. AND I APPRECIATED I HAVE WORK WITH ALL OF
5 YOU. AND I'VE HEARD EVERYTHING THAT HAS BEEN GOING ON. BUT I
6 CAN SAY THIS. I'M THANKFUL, YOU KNOW, THAT WE DO HAVE A STRONG
7 BOARD REGARDLESS OF WHAT PEOPLE THINK ABOUT US. I HEAR THIS
8 EVERY DAY ALL DAY LONG. ABOUT THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD. SO
9 PITIFUL, THIS AND THAT. AND THEN I'M JEWISH. SO IT DOESN'T
10 MAKE ANY DIFFERENCE WHAT RELIGION OR WHAT YOU ARE. IT'S HOW
11 YOU ARE. WHEN I WAS COMING UP, I HAD TO BE PUNCTUAL ON THE
12 JOB. I HAD TO BE AT MYSELF ON THE JOB. AND NOWADAYS, THINGS
13 ARE DIFFERENT. BUT I'M ASKING THE BOARD TO GIVE ME A CHANCE.
14 JUST GIVE ME A CHANCE FOR AT LEAST ONE YEAR. I'VE BEEN
15 HOMELESS. BUT I'VE BEEN ON THE GO. AND I'VE BEEN ASKED TO GO
16 TO DIFFERENT AREAS. I CAN'T GO TO EVERY AREA BECAUSE OF MY
17 DISABILITY. ALL I ASK THEM TO DO WAS TO PLEASE LOOK AT MY
18 CASE, LOOK AT THE, YOU KNOW, DAMAGES THAT I'VE GOTTEN FROM ALL
19 FIVE DISTRICTS. I'M NOT MAD AT ANYBODY. THAT'S THE WAY THE JOB
20 IS. AND I KNEW IT WHEN I TOOK IT. I WORKED FOR KENNETH HAHN. I
21 FORGOT TO, I DIDN'T EVEN PUT IN FOR MY WORKMAN'S COMP WHEN I
22 GOT HURT. I JUST WENT STRAIGHT TO THE JUDGE. I HAVE FAMILY
23 JUDGES. I'VE HAD FAMILY PEOPLE THAT I RESPECT THAT I LOVE. I'M
24 OVER THERE IN MARTIN LUTHER KING, I GO THERE WHENEVER IT'S
25 NECESSARY AND I GET HELP.



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2 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME'S UP.

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4 **ETHEL JOHNSON:** I LOVE ALL OF YOU, OKAY. LOOK INTO IT, PLEASE?

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MISS BRACKEN, YOU'LL BE NEXT.

7 DAVID SERRANO? MICHAEL GUARDLY? MICHAEL GUARDLY HERE? YES.

8 OKAY. REMA VERABIAN? OKAY. MISS BRACKEN, YOU'RE ON?

9

10 **ROBIN BRACKEN:** YES. THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, SIR. JUST TO
11 ADDRESS THE BOARD, I HAVE COPIES HERE WITH NUMEROUS COMPLAINTS
12 CONCERNING MY JOB, MY HEALTH AND MY ABILITY TO MOVE FORWARD
13 INCLUDING GETTING BACK TO WORK SINCE APPROXIMATELY THE WORLD
14 TRADE CENTER 2003 WHERE I WORKED FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, CHILD
15 SUPPORT, GAIL GARCETY, PHILIP BROWNING, STEVE COOLEY. I HAVE
16 BEEN ON LONG TERM DISABILITY. PAID AT 60 PERCENT, THANK GOD
17 FOR THAT. BUT I GUESS IT WAS 2,000. PRIOR TO THAT WHEN I WAS
18 WORKING, I HAD NUMEROUS PSYCHOLOGICAL TESTS. THEY TOLD ME
19 GEORGE HEYWOOD, HE'S NO LONGER THERE. MOSTLY THE PEOPLE I HAD
20 WRITTEN TO, COMPLAINED TO HAVE EITHER RETIRED OR MOVED ON.
21 JUST TO SAY THAT THE COMMUNITY ACCESS MUST STOP. I THINK I'M
22 IN THE MIDDLE OF MICROCHIP MONITORING NUMEROUS THINGS PEOPLE
23 HAVE MENTIONED TODAY. I WAS NEVER TOLD A THING SINCE THEY
24 OPERATED ON ME IN 1998. WHETHER IT'S A MICROCHIP I HAVE TALKED
25 TO AND WRITTEN COMMERCE, WILLSHIRE, THE BOARD, MARK RIDLEY-



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1 THOMAS, I HAVE COPIES HERE OF COMPLAINTS JUST TO SAY CONGRESS
2 SAID "OKAY WE NEED DOCUMENTATION YOU'RE ABLE TO WORK FROM
3 COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH." BUT I CAN'T DO IT ALONE. I'M IN THE
4 MIDDLE EVERY DAY. MY HEALTH IS AT RISK EVERY DAY. I HAVE
5 GAINED OVER 120 POUNDS, LOST MY SAVINGS, 10 YEARS SENIORITY. I
6 HAVE 23 YEARS SENIORITY. I FIRST WORKED IN 1979 HALL OF
7 RECORDS COURT TRUSTEE. I WORKED AT _____, D.P.S.S. LIKE I
8 SAID, CHILD SUPPORT. GAIL GARCETY, I NEED HELP NOW. PLEASE.
9 THANK YOU.

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11 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** APPRECIATE IT. DAVID SERRANO.

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13 **ROBIN BRACKEN:** CAN THEY TAKE COPIES OF MY LETTERS?

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15 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SERGEANT AT ARMS.

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17 **ROBIN BRACKEN:** AND THE COUNTY KNOWS I WANT TO GET BACK TO
18 WORK.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** DAVID SERRANO?

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22 **DAVID SERRANO:** THE LORD OUR GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND
23 THE HIGH HOLY SPIRIT, THE LORD OUR GOD, THE LORD IS ONE, AMEN,
24 PRAISE THE LORD. THE CHRISTIAN GOD IS THE ONE AND ONLY TRUE
25 LIVING GOD. THE CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN.



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1 THERE IS NO OTHER GOD, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. THE LORD OUR GOD
2 EXISTS FOR INFINITY, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD. JESUS CHRIST THE
3 IS GOD. JESUS CHRIST THE IS THE SON OF GOD. JESUS IS LORD,
4 AMEN. JESUS CHRIST WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT AND BORN
5 OF THE VIRGIN MARY. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST NEVER SINNED. JESUS
6 IS PERFECTLY GOOD, AMEN. JESUS CHRIST PROCLAIMED THE WORD OF
7 GOD AND HE DID MANY MIRACLES, INCLUDING RAISING THE DEAD TO
8 LIFE. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WAS CRUCIFIED. HE DIED FOR THE
9 SINS OF THE WHOLE WORLD. HE DIED IN OUR PLACE FOR OUR SINS
10 BECAUSE HE LOVES US THAT MUCH. ALL PEOPLE ARE SINNERS AND THE
11 WAGES OF SIN ARE DEATH AND HELL. JESUS CHRIST THE WAS
12 CRUCIFIED, HE DIED FOR THE SINS OF THE WORLD. HE WAS BURIED.
13 AND ON THE THIRD DAY, OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST
14 RESURRECTED AND HE LEFT THE TOMB, AMEN, PRAISE THE LORD.
15 BELIEVE IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST AND YOU WILL HAVE EVERLASTING
16 LIFE IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD, AMEN. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST
17 CREATED THE UNIVERSE WHEN HE COMMANDED THE UNIVERSE INTO
18 EXISTENCE BY THE WORD OF GOD AND THE UNIVERSE CAME INTO
19 EXISTENCE BY THE BIG BANG THEORY INCLUDING INFLATION THEORY.
20 GO TO NASA. THAT'S THE REALITY. DON'T BELIEVE THROUGH THE WORM
21 HOLE AND ALL THESE OTHER PHILOSOPHERS. THE TRUTH IS JESUS IS
22 GOD.
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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. GUARDLY BEFORE YOU
2 START, IS RIMA VERABIAN HERE? WHY DON'T YOU COME UP AND HAVE A
3 SEAT? AND TAMARA GREGORIAN? IS SHE HERE? JOHN WALSH.

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5 **SPEAKER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, GENTLEMEN AND LADIES.

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7 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HANG ON. HANG ON. HE'S FIRST. MR.
8 GUARDLY.

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10 **SPEAKER:** I APOLOGIZE.

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12 **SPEAKER:** MY NAME IS MICHAEL GUARDLY. I'M IN YOUR AREA,
13 SUPERVISOR ZEV YAROSLAVSKY. I'VE BEEN COMING FOR YEARS, FOR
14 OVER 20 YEARS, TRYING TO SHOW YOU THAT CAN THE COUNTY HAS
15 STARTED A CLAIM AGAINST ME OF CHILD SUPPORT WHILE I HAD MY
16 CHILDREN AND WITH MY WIFE FOR OVER EVER SINCE 1986, 1999 I
17 WENT THROUGH A DIVORCE. AND DURING MY DIVORCE, THE COURTS HAD
18 TOOK OVER JURISDICTION. THE JURISDICTION THAT THEY TOOK OVER
19 WAS CHILD SUPPORT, SPOUSAL SUPPORT AND ANY KIND OF SUPPORT
20 THERE WAS. AND THE COUNTY WAS ALERTED BECAUSE I HAD THE
21 DISTRICT ATTORNEY COME TO MY DIVORCE PROCEEDINGS SO HE COULD
22 SEE THE FRAUD THAT WAS GOING ON WITH MY WIFE. AT THE TIME I
23 DON'T KNOW WHAT THE COUNTY WAS DOING. I DIDN'T KNOW THE LAW,
24 NONE OF THAT STUFF. I WAS LEARNING. AS I KEPT LEARNING AND
25 GOING TO THE COUNTY AND COMING TO YOU, ZEV YAROSLAVSKY, I CAME



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1 TO YOU IN 1995 AND ALSO CAME TO YOU IN 1998, AND THEN I CAME
2 TO YOU AS, YOU KNOW, IN 2000, AND TRYING TO RECTIFY THIS
3 SITUATION. YOU KEEP GIVING ME BACK TO THE COUNTY, THE PEOPLE
4 WHO WERE DOING THE ACTIONS AGAINST ME THAT KNOW THAT I'VE BEEN
5 LIVING WITH MY FAMILY. I WORK WITH YOU, MAYOR TOM BRADLEY, ALL
6 THESE PEOPLE THESE LONG YEARS AND KNOWING THAT I WAS MARRIED,
7 I AIN'T GOT NOTHING TO LIE ABOUT. BUT NOW I DON'T EVEN GOT A
8 JOB. THE COUNTY LAST THREE YEARS MADE SURE I'M NOT EVEN
9 WORKING. I MADE 3,000 DOLLARS TO 5,000 DOLLARS A WEEK, THEY
10 TAKE MONEY OUT OF MY CHECK. THEY STOPPED EVERYTHING AND TOLD
11 ME IF I DON'T PAY THEM 80,000 DOLLARS I WOULD NEVER WORK
12 AGAIN. I HAVEN'T WORKED FOR THREE YEARS. THE LADY, MY WIFE GOT
13 ON THE COUNTY AGAIN FRAUDULENTLY AND THEY BEEN COMING AT ME
14 TELLING ME THAT YOU KNOW ME I NEVER HAD MY KIDS, ONLY WAS WITH
15 MY KIDS BRIEF. THAT'S WRONG. THAT'S TOTALLY WRONG. AND THEY
16 KEPT ME AWAY FROM MY FAMILY FOR SO LONG THAT ALL WE DID WAS
17 ARGUE. THAT'S WHY WE'RE GOING THROUGH A DIVORCE. AND THINGS
18 LIKE THAT. SO WHATEVER FRAUD SHE WAS DOING WITH THE COUNTY
19 I'VE BEEN ASKING YOU FOR HELP. I GOT ALL THE PAPERWORK WITH
20 ME. BEEN HAD THE PAPERWORK. GOT STATE SENATORS, EVERYTHING.
21 WITNESSES ALL THAT. BUT Y'ALL WON'T ACCEPT THEM.

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23 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MISS _____?

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1 **TAMARA GREGORIAN:** _____ IS MY MOTHER SIGNED UP BUT DUE
2 TO THE LANGUAGE BARRIER SHE'S GIVING ME HER TIME. SO I'M
3 TAMARA GREGORIAN. FIRST OF ALL I'D LIKE TO REPRESENT MYSELF
4 BRIEFLY. I'M CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENT AS
5 WELL AS A JOURNALIST BASED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AND I'M HEADING
6 MY OWN MEDIA HOLDING CORPORATION IN BOTH STATES. SO WHAT
7 BROUGHT ME HERE IS THE L.A.P.D.'S DETECTIVE EXTREME NEGLIGENCE
8 UNETHICAL TACTIC AND RECKLESSNESS IN HANDLING OUR CRIMINAL
9 COMPLAINT THAT WE'VE MADE BACK IN APRIL 7, 2012. AS SUCH, WE
10 FACED BURACRACY RUN AROUND IN DEALING WITH DETECTIVE _____, WHO
11 PUT THE INVESTIGATION, THE TRUE EVIDENCE ON A WRONG DIRECTION,
12 UNJUSTLY DELAYS THE INVESTIGATION AND CRIMINAL PROSECUTION,
13 WHICH IS LEADING TO AN AMAZING TURN-AROUND TO THE SUSPECT'S
14 FAVOR. ALTHOUGH I HAVE ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT THE CITY OFFICERS,
15 SUCH AS THE CITY COUNCILMEMBER MR. _____ AND OTHER ELECTED
16 OFFICERS, I FACE RUN AROUND. THEY HAVE BEEN ROTATING ME IN AN
17 ENDLESS RUN AROUND. SO THAT'S WHY I'M HERE. AND I AM SINCERELY
18 ASKING YOUR HELP. WE LIVE UNDER CONSTANT FEAR FOR OUR LIVES
19 AND SAFETY. I'M TAKING CARE OF MY DISABLED PARENTS. MY FAMILY,
20 I HAVE OTHER COMMITMENTS AND OBLIGATIONS WITHIN AND BEYOND THE
21 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I'M SEEKING YOUR HELP AND RESOLUTION THAT
22 WILL BRING. I HAVE A BIG HOPE THAT ONLY BY YOUR HELP, MR.
23 ANTONOVICH AND MR. YAROSLAVSKY, THAT YOUR ASSISTANCE WILL
24 BRING FINAL RESOLUTION AND CONCLUSION IN THIS ISSUE, WHICH IS
25 LONG OVERDUE. ON MY BIRTHDAY, ON APRIL 6 OF THIS YEAR, WE



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1 RECEIVED A PHONE CALL, A CRIMINAL THREAT, A DEATH THREAT BY
2 THE HARASSER, THE SUSPECT THREATENED WITH MURDER. WE'VE
3 REPORTED THIS INCIDENT TO AN F.B.I. OVER THE PHONE AND IN
4 PERSON TO AN L.A.P.D. DEVONSHIRE STATION.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OKAY. CAN I ASK YOU, WHERE DO YOU
7 LIVE? WHERE DOES YOUR MOTHER LIVE?

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9 **SPEAKER:** I'M HOME OWNER IN NORTHRIDGE.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH:** WE HAVE A MEETING SCHEDULED FOR NEXT WEEK.

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13 **SPEAKER:** MR. ANTONOVICH, THANK YOU FOR THAT AND IT'S SEPARATE
14 MEETING ASIDE FROM THIS ISSUE. THANK YOU FOR THAT.

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16 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOUR TIME IS UP.

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18 **SPEAKER:** MY MOTHER'S TIME, SHE'S GIVING ME HER TIME.

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20 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YOU CAN'T GIVE HER. TAKE ANOTHER
21 MINUTE, BUT YOU SHOULD REALLY DISCUSS THIS WITH MR.
22 ANTONOVICH'S OFFICE WHEN YOU HAVE THAT MEETING, BUT GO AHEAD
23 ANOTHER MINUTE.

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1 **SPEAKER:** SINCE THAT IS ASIDE FROM THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE A
2 MEETING ON THE 24TH, I'M HERE TO SEEK YOUR HELP TO REASSIGN
3 THIS CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION TO ANOTHER DETECTIVE THAT WILL
4 PROBABLY SURFACE THE CRIMINAL RING LEADER AND THE RING MEMBERS
5 WHO ARE CONTINUING TO DEFRAUD THE U.S. GOVERNMENT MULTI-
6 MILLION DOLLARS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THANK YOU. MR. WALSH?

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10 **JOHN WALSH:** JOHN WALSH BLOGGING AT MY WEBSITE
11 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG, OR JUST GOOGLE "WALSH CONFIDENTIAL".
12 DAY AFTER TOMORROW, THERE WILL BE A PUBLIC HEARING AT M.T.A.,
13 I HOPE ALL FIVE OF YOU M.T.A. BOARD MEMBERS WILL BE THERE ON
14 TUNNELING UNDER BEVERLY HILLS HIGH SCHOOL, WHICH HAS BROUGHT
15 OUT A WAVE OF ANTI-SEMITISM. LET'S GET SOMETHING STRAIGHT.
16 SINCE THE 1920S, BEVERLY HILLS HIGH SCHOOL HAS BEEN
17 PREDOMINANTLY JEWISH, OKAY? NOW, BECAUSE I HAVE A GAYLEIC LAST
18 NAME, I'M NOT SUPPOSED TO BE A JEW. NOW IF YOU GOT A POLISH
19 LAST NAME, YOU'RE A JEW. WELL MY GREAT GRANDFATHER WAS NAMED
20 LEO BURGER AND HE CAME FROM HUNGARY. I AM AS MUCH JEW AS MR.
21 YAROSLAVSKY IS A JEW AND I HAVE AS MANY PEOPLE DIED IN THE
22 CONCENTRATION CAMPS. BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW, MR. YAROSLAVSKY,
23 THAT POISON GAS AND JEWISH CHILDREN DO NOT MIX. AND THERE IS A
24 DANGER OF THOSE JEWISH CHILDREN. AND JUST BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT
25 ALL ASHKENAZI, THEY DON'T UNDERSTAND. BUT BECAUSE SOME OF



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1 THEM, MOST OF THEM HAPPEN TO BY IRANIAN JEWS NOW AT BEVERLY
2 HILLS, NOT EUROPEAN JEWS OR ISRAELI JEWS, YOU, THIS BOARD, IS
3 GOING TO SELL THE BLOOD OF JEWISH CHILDREN. AND I'M TELLING
4 YOU RIGHT NOW THAT WELL FIGHT IT, WE WILL GO TO COURT AND WE
5 WILL STOP. DO YOU REMEMBER WHEN I SAID THERE WOULD BE AN
6 ACCIDENT AND ALL THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND WE HAD THE SINK
7 HOLE AND YOU WERE STANDING THERE WHEN THE SINK HOLE OPENED,
8 THE SECOND SINK HOLE AND YOU RAN AWAY, MR. YAROSLAVSKY,
9 BECAUSE YOU BELIEVED THE EXPERTS. I'M TELLING YOU RIGHT NOW:
10 JEWISH CHILDREN'S BLOOD AND POISON GAS DO NOT MIX.
11 HOLLYWOODHIGHLANDS.ORG. NEVER, NEVER AGAIN. [INAUDIBLE]

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13 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** LET'S GO.

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15 **CLERK SACHI HAMAI:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT REQUIREMENTS,
16 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL
17 CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NUMBER CS-1, CS-2,
18 CS-3 AND CS-4, CONFERENCES WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING
19 EXISTING LITIGATION AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. PLEASE
20 BE ADVISED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL HOLD A SPECIAL
21 MEETING TO HEAR TESTIMONY RELATING TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2012-
22 2013 PROPOSED BUDGET ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 16, 2012 AT 9:30 A.M.
23 THANK YOU.

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25 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** MR. KNABE WANTS TO BE RECOGNIZED.



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SUP. KNABE: THIS JUST CAME TO MY ATTENTION. IT'S AN ACTION BY THE P.U.C. THAT WILL TAKE PLACE NEXT TUESDAY. I WAS GOING TO PUT IT ON THE AGENDA FOR NEXT WEEK BUT IT WOULD BE TOO LATE. BASICALLY I'D LIKE TO ASK FOR URGENCY FROM MR. KRATTLI. "THE RESIDENTS OF CATALINA ISLAND ARE CURRENTLY PAYING THE HIGHEST WATER RATE IN ALL OF CALIFORNIA. EDISON REQUEST FOR AN INCREASE IN THE RATE BASE WOULD EFFECTIVELY DOUBLE THOSE RATES. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF MORE THAN 500 PERCENT FROM 2005-2012. ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE BARNETT OF THE CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES PRESIDED OVER THE RATE CASE AND ISSUED A PROPOSED DECISION ON APRIL 23RD. HIS DECISION DENIED THE CAPITAL EXPENDITURE" AND A BUNCH OF OTHER THINGS THAT I OUTLINED HERE. ALL I'M ASKING FOR IS A FIVE SIGNATURE LETTER THAT WE CAN SEND TO THE P.U.C. IN SUPPORT OF JUDGE BARNETT'S PROPOSED DECISION. IS THAT OKAY? AND I WOULD MOVE THAT RECOMMENDATION.

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SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN: I DON'T HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE URGENCY. I JUST DON'T KNOW WHAT THE DECISION IS.

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SUP. KNABE: BASICALLY THE DECISION, WHAT HE'S RECOMMENDED IS IN THE BODY OF THIS. I'M SUPPORTING HIS DECISION.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** HE WANTS TO CHARGE EVERYBODY IN
2 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** EDISON CONTROLS THE WATER IN CATALINA.

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6 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO EDISON WANTS TO CHARGE
7 EVERYBODY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA?

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT AND JUDGE BARNETT DISAVOWING A LOT OF THE
10 CHARGES THEY'RE TRYING TO TAKE ON.

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12 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** THE WAY THE MOTION READS," JUDGE
13 BARNETT SUGGESTS, HOWEVER, THAT SINCE MOST WATER THAT IS USED
14 ON CATALINA IS "

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** RIGHT, THERE'S A PIECE THAT WE AGREE WITH BUT THE
17 MAJOR PIECE, THE MOST EXPENSIVE PIECE THAT WOULD DOUBLE THE
18 RATES, HE'S DISALLOWED. HE DID ALLOW THE SMALL PART, WHICH IS
19 ABOUT 18 CENTS PER RESIDENT.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS THE URGENCY ON THIS?
22 WHAT'S HAPPENING ON TUESDAY?

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24 **SUP. KNABE:** HIS DECISION IS BEFORE THE P.U.C. NEXT TUESDAY.

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1 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** SO SOMEBODY WHO LIVES ON THE
2 MAINLAND IS GOING TO HAVE HIS RATES SLIGHTLY INCREASED?

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4 **SUP. KNABE:** HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MAINLAND. STRICTLY
5 CATALINA. HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH MAINLAND. STRICTLY CATALINA
6 ISLAND. THAT'S THE ONLY PLACE THAT EDISON CONTROLS THE WATER.

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8 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** "MOST WATER THAT IS USED BY
9 CATALINA IS USED BY VISITORS AND SINCE MOST VISITORS ARE FROM
10 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT A VERY SMALL FEE BE LEVIED ACROSS
11 S.C.E.'S VERY LARGE BASE OF ELECTRICAL CUSTOMERS TO COVER THAT
12 COST." THAT SOUNDS --

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14 **SUP. KNABE:** THAT'S THE PIECE THAT WAS ALLOWED. IF YOU LOOK AT
15 THE BODY UP ABOVE WHERE THEY'VE INCREASED, HE DISALLOWED THE
16 MAJOR CAPITAL EXPENDITURES.

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18 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** YEAH, BUT DOES THIS DECISION ALLOW
19 EDISON TO ASSESS A RATE, AS MINIMAL AS IT MAY BE, ALL ACROSS
20 THEIR ELECTRICAL RATE BASE?

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH ELECTRICAL. IT IS WATER.

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24 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY IS IT IN HERE, THEN? WHAT AM I
25 MISSING? JUST READING WHAT YOU WROTE. WHAT YOUR MOTION SAYS.



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1 IT SAYS "JUDGE BARNETT SUGGESTS THAT SINCE MOST WATER USED IN
2 CATALINA IS USED BY VISITORS, SINCE MOST VISITORS ARE FROM
3 SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, THAT A VERY SMALL FEE BE LEVIED ACROSS
4 S.C.E.'S VERY LARGE BASE OF ELECTRICAL CUSTOMERS TO COVER THAT
5 COST." S.C.E. ITSELF PROPOSED THIS IDEA. DO YOU SEE WHAT I
6 MEAN? LET'S DO THIS. LET'S HOLD THIS.

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL GET CLARIFICATION FROM MY OWN LETTER.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** OR WE COULD BRING IT BACK. IF YOU
11 CLEAR IT UP FOR ME, OR JUST I COULD JUST ABSTAIN AND LET
12 EVERYBODY ELSE. I DON'T WANT TO GET IN THE WAY OF IT, DON, I
13 JUST WANT TO KNOW WHAT I'M DOING.

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15 **SUP. KNABE:** NO PROBLEM.

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17 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHAT IS YOUR PLEASURE?

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19 **SUP. KNABE:** HOLD IT. IF THERE'S NO SUPPORT.

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21 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** I'M NOT SAYING THERE'S NO SUPPORT.
22 I JUST WANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT IT'S DOING. I RESPECT THE FACT
23 THAT IT'S COMING IN URGENCY.

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** I THOUGHT I WAS ABLE TO PUT THIS ON AND WE COULD
2 DO IT NEXT WEEK. I JUST FOUND OUT THE HEARING IS THE 21ST NOT
3 THE 28TH.

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5 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** IS IT IN THE MORNING? OR AFTERNOON
6 SESSION?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** I DON'T KNOW. I'LL GET CLARIFICATION.

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10 **SUP. YAROSLAVSKY, CHAIRMAN:** WHY DON'T WE HOLD IT ON THE DESK.
11 WE'LL GET CLARIFICATION AND BRING IT BACK OUT AFTER THE CLOSED
12 SESSION.

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